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Arrival Aboard H.M.S. Suffolk.

THREE BRITISH MEMBERS.

H.M.S. Suffolk arrived in port shortly before 1.30 p.m. to-day, and tied up to No. 3 buoy.

A motor-boat from H.M.S. Tambar put out immediately, with Mr. M. J. Van Schreven, Vice-Consul for the Netherlands, who went out to meet the captain of the Hedwig.

It was expected that the interview would last some time, after which the crew of the wrecked ship would be accommodated ashore for the time being.

Rescue Details.

After a perilous journey of 12 miles through a reef-studded and incompletely charted lagoon, the boat of H.M.S. Suffolk yesterday succeeded in taking off the crew, 14 in all, of the wrecked Dutch vessel Hedwig, which had been on the Pratas shoals, in direct straits, for almost 48 hours.

Messages from the Suffolk although couched in the terse, almost laconic terms consonant with the traditions of the Silent Service, tell their own story of a very gallant rescue in the face of danger.

It had previously been communicated that the Suffolk's whaler was approaching the stricken ship, but later advices would indicate that the crew were in fact taken off in the motor boat, which presumably was the first to arrive. The Suffolk then returned round the reef, where the boats were picked up.

Britons Aboard.

A message this morning to the Naval authorities states that the captain and owner of the ship is a Dutchman. There are also three Britons and one American aboard together with nine Chinese. The owner has reported that his ship was in ballast, and was ninety days out from the South Sea Islands, bound for Hong Kong.

The text of the official message is as follows:—

The crew of the Hedwig is composed of fourteen persons. The captain, who is Dutch, is also the owner. The other members of the crew are three British, one American, and nine Chinese. The owner reported that his ship was in ballast, having been ninety days at sea bound from South Sea Islands to Hong Kong.

The ill-fated ship was abandoned in shallow water on the lagoon side of the reef.

First News of Rescue.

The news of the rescue was conveyed to Hong Kong in a message from the Suffolk shortly after 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, which ran:—

I am proceeding to Hong Kong with the crew of the Hedwig aboard.

A previous message had stated:—

Crew of Hedwig have been transferred to motor boat. Am proceeding to southern channel to wait for boats. Visibility very poor. Pratas has been notified.

AMERICA'S IDLE.

Washington, Yesterday. Mr. W. Gren, the Labour Federation President estimates that the unemployed number 4,860,000, and will exceed seven millions by February if the present rate of increase continues. — Reuter's American Service.

Following a tour of the Turner Valley oil field, A. Beeby Thompson, a member of the British Council of Petroleum Technologists, declared that 7,000 acres of that terrain had been definitely proved as a large producer of gas and oil. Production, since the beginning of drilling operations, amounted to 3,000,000 barrels of a value of \$10,000,000. The present rate of production being 100 barrels per day from

FALL OF THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT.

Attack on Foreign and Economic Policy.

SITUATION NOT GRAVE.

Paris, Yesterday. The Government was defeated in the Senate to-day by 147 votes to 139 on the opposition's interpellation on the Government's policy. The Government's resignation is involved.

The Premier, M. Tardieu, has resigned.

Vigorous Attack.

The resignation of the Government followed a very dramatic debate in a packed House. Replying to a vigorous attack on the Government's policy by the Deputy, M. Hery, M. Tardieu declared that France's economic position was healthy. The foreign situation was serious, but not grave.

The Government's policy toward Germany was in pursuance of the maintenance of the fruits of victory and in the cause of peace. In regard to M. Briand's European organisation plan, if Europe did not organise itself in a decade he did not give much hope for Europe. — Reuter.

BAD FOR DYE TRADE

ACT PROHIBITING IMPORTS NOT TO BE RENEWED.

TORIES DEFEATED.

London, Yesterday. The House of Commons rejected by 255 votes to 225 on the committee stage of the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill, a Conservative motion to continue the Dyestuffs Act for another five years. The Act was passed during wartime for "Ten years and no longer," and is due to expire on January 14. It amounted to the total prohibition of imports, except by special licence. Ninety per cent. of the dyes consumed in Britain is of the dyes of British origin and much is exported, whereas before the War only 20 per cent. was British. — Reuter.

POLISH CABINET.

PILSUDSKI NOW MINISTER OF WAR.

MOSTLY "OLD HANDS."

Warsaw, Yesterday. A new Cabinet has been formed, mostly with experienced hands. The Prime Minister is M. Slawek, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, M. Zaleski, and the Minister of War, Marshal Pilsudski. — Reuter.

SOVIET AND CHINA.

RENEWAL OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS?

C.E.R. PROBLEMS.

Moscow, Yesterday. The Soviet and Chinese conference has adopted a plan for further work. Three committees have been established for Chinese Eastern Railway questions, commercial relations, and the resumption of diplomatic relations. — Reuter.

CHINESE PORTS.

QUARANTINE SERVICE TO BE REORGANISED.

LEAGUE EXPERT'S VISIT.

Geneva, Yesterday. Dr. Rajchman, Director of the Health Section of the League of Nations, is leaving for China, where he has been invited by the Chinese Government in connection with the reorganisation of the quarantine service, in Chinese ports. The scheme provides for periodical visits of the League's experts. — Reuter.

DUKE OF GLOUCESTER.

Barbours, Yesterday. H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester has arrived here on the liner from Australia. — Reuter.

SORRY END TO CAPE TOWN FLIGHT.

Miss Spooner Swims Across Winty Sea.

EXHAUSTED WITH COLD.

Belmonte, Yesterday. Miss Spooner decided to swim to the shore when her plane fell into the sea as shouts for help and distress flares were noticed. The sea was very cold and Miss Spooner was stiff and exhausted when she landed. There was nobody about and she stumbled to the railway station, where she was tended very carefully. In the meantime, Flying Officer Edwards managed to attract the notice of some fishing boats, who landed him. — Reuter.

Remarkable Escapes.

Rugby, Yesterday. Miss Winifred Spooner, the British Airwoman who, with Flying Officer Edwards, left Croydon yesterday on an attempt to beat the record flying time to Cape Town, was forced down by her engine off the Italian Coast last night. The machine floated and after a long wait for help, Miss Spooner swam two miles through a choppy sea to the shore and roused the inhabitants of the small village of Belmonte. Fishermen rescued Edwards and towed in the aeroplane.

Both Miss Spooner and Edwards received minor head injuries. An aeroplane has been sent to Miss Spooner's assistance by the Italian Airway, Balbo. Miss Spooner, who became a pilot in 1927, has made a number of historic flights, and has had several remarkable escapes. She received the Woman's Trophy of the International League of Aviators in March. — British Wireless Service.

Early Cables.

London, Yesterday. The ambitious flight of Miss Winifred Spooner, a participant in last year's King's Cup race, accompanied by the former Oxford rowing blue, Flying Officer E. C. T. Edwards, with the object of reaching Cape Town in five days, thus demonstrating the feasibility of the forthcoming London-Cape Town air mail accomplishing the journey in under a week has ended in the sea off South Italy.

The aviators left Croydon, in spite of unfavourable weather, yesterday morning and refuelled at Rome at 6.50 in the evening. They resumed in darkness at 8.20 for Catania, intending to fly throughout the night, but fell in the sea at midnight two miles from Belmonte, a fishing village twenty-five miles from Cosenza.

Miss Spooner swam ashore, slightly injured in the face.

Flying Officer Edwards was also injured in the face, and was subsequently rescued aboard the monoplane, which was towed into Belmonte this morning. — Reuter.

STRONG MONSOON.

The Royal Observatory's report to-day states: The anti-cyclone is now shown as a belt of high pressure from N. E. China to mid-Japan.

A typhoon mid-way between Ishigaki and Naha is moving N. or N.N.E. Strong to moderate monsoon along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Forecast:—N. winds; fresh; fine.

The American Consulate-General has received the following typhoon warning from the Manila Observatory:— To-day, 9.15 a.m.—Typhoon in about 125 degrees Long. E., 18 degrees Lat. N., moving N. Rainfall.

Rainfall to 10 a.m. to-day nil. Rainfall since January 1, 95.26 inches, against an average of 82.12.

Temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 8 o'clock was:— Hong Kong 77 Macao 74

Pratas Island 70 Manila 76 Peshaw 76 Amoy 76 Swatow 74 Chaofoo 74 Shanghai 74

BRITISH OFFICER MURDERED.

Adjutant Shot by Afridi Tribesmen.

RETURNING TO CAMP.

Peshawar, Yesterday. Captain Will, Adjutant of the Sikh Regiment, was killed by Afridis to-day, who fired on the Jhansi Brigade while it was returning to camp after acting as a covering force for troops engaged on road making on the Akakhel Plain. The Jat Regiment checked the Afridis, who are believed to have suffered considerable casualties. — Reuter.

DISMAL DOLLAR.

Further Drop To New Low Record.

Once again a drop in the dollar has to be recorded. Having reached a new low level on Wednesday, when it dropped to 1/2 9/16, it was hoped that the limit had been reached. This morning's opening rate, however, showed a further, and substantial, decline of 3/16 to 1/2 3/8.

Rumour, for what it is worth, hath it that the slump in value will continue, the opinion being expressed in some quarters that it may be expected to go down to 1/2.

It is difficult to arrive at any tangible explanation of this steady, and rather alarming, slump, beyond vague talk of a "glut of silver," and drop in the commercial value of the metal.

BANK CRISIS.

OLDEST IN NORTH CAROLINA FAILS TO OPEN.

FOUNDED IN 1869.

Charlotte, Carolina, Yesterday.

The First National Bank, the oldest national bank in North Carolina, did not open for business to-day. The Bank was founded in 1869, and held deposits of approximately \$1,887,000. — Reuter's American Service.

STOP PRESS

London, Yesterday. The House of Commons passed the third reading of the Cunard Insurance Agreement Bill authorising the Government to provide any insurance "on the two new liners," which cannot be provided in the ordinary insurance market. — Reuter.

Paris, Yesterday. It is noteworthy that the defeat of the Government follows the resignation of the Minister of Justice, M. Raoul Peret on November 18, (to enable him to give evidence before the Parliamentary Commission in connection with the "Oustal-Bank" case), also the resignations of M. Falcoz and M. Lantier.

M. Tardieu (officially) declares that he will not participate in a new Government. It is also doubtful whether M. Poincare or M. Briand will participate, hence the situation is very difficult. A new Government may not be formed before the end of next week. — Reuter.

OPTIMISM SHOWN AT THE CONFERENCE.

Genuine Desire to Help Work.

POWERS OF THE GOVERNOR.

Rugby, Yesterday. As a result of the discussion continued to-day by the federal structure sub-committee of the Round Table Conference, it was decided to add provisionally the two important subjects of railways and maritime customs to the list of subjects reported yesterday, which may tentatively be considered of common concern as between British India and the Indian States. The business-like manner in which this committee is handling its intricate tasks has been stimulated by the spirit of optimism in conference circles.

It is understood that in its discussions there has been a complete absence of attempts to score mere debating points, and a genuine and unanimous desire to help forward the work entrusted to the committee. The same spirit showed itself in the provincial constitution sub-committee, which, under the Chairmanship of the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Arthur Henderson, held its first meeting to-day.

Governor's Power.

Following the example set by Lord Sankey's Committee, it engaged in general discussion from which a series of concrete questions were formulated, which will be taken as the basis for future procedure. Among these questions were the following:—Is it practicable to abolish distinction between reserved questions in the Provinces (being those which are retained in the hand of the Government of India) and transferred subjects, (those which are placed under the control of the provincial authorities)? If abolition should be, firstly, constitution and composition of the executive, what should be the powers of the Government or, viz, the executive and legislature? A further question formulated what if any provisions were necessary to safeguard, firstly, the administration of law and order, and, secondly, the rights of minorities or any other interest.

Although a special committee has been set up to deal with the minorities question the position of the minorities in any provincial constitution must of necessity be considered by this committee, which in future will doubtless join forces as occasion requires with the minorities committee.

Series of Questions. Another question propounded is: should all special powers be exercised by the Governor, or should some be exercised by the executive as a whole? Where should the Governor obtain the advice necessary for the exercise of his special powers? Should any provision be made in the event of a breakdown in the normal constitution, and if so, what emergency powers should be given, firstly, to the Governor, secondly, to the executive; thirdly, what condition adopted would be requisite for the exercise of this power; fourthly, under which safeguards should they be exercised?

The Committee charged with considering the conditions enabling Burma to be separated from India, will hold its first meeting to-morrow. It is probable that Lord Russell will Chairmen. — British Wireless Service.

POWDER FOR WIFE'S FACE.

Lau Wah-sau was charged in the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with assaulting his wife on December 2. Lai Tai, living at 133 Tai Nam Street, said that she was living apart from her husband, and about 8.30 p.m. on the 2nd inst. she was ascending the stairs to her cubicle, when she felt someone tread on her heel. Turning round she saw her husband who, she alleged, threw some powder in her face. Momentarily blinded, she called for help and was later taken to the Kowloon Hospital where it was found that no injury was made to her face or eyes. The powder subsequently proved to be pepper and powdered glass. The case was adjourned for 24 hours, bail of \$50 being allowed.

DOES BRITAIN NEED AN OLIGARCHY?

Drastic Changes Urged by Labour M.P.'s

NATIONAL EMERGENCY.

London, Yesterday. Drastic changes in the machinery of the Government and their policy to deal with the present economic situation are advocated in a manifesto which, it is stated, 80 Labour M.P.'s have signed, and the authorship of which is attributed to Sir Oswald Mosley. The manifesto suggests that the present situation should be regarded as a national emergency and the supreme power, should be placed in the hands of a small body of five Ministers as was done during war time, and special emergency measures should be taken immediately as regards mines, railways, and the dumping of foreign goods in Britain at unfair prices. — Reuter.

SUGAR SURPLUS.

CONFERENCE AT BRUSSELS POSTPONED.

MR. CADBOURNE ILL.

Brussels, Yesterday. The International sugar conference, which should have opened to-day, has been postponed on the ground that the conversations at Amsterdam between representatives of Java, Cuba and the United States have not yet finished, owing to the indisposition of Mr. Chadbourne, whose plans for the curtailment of production is being considered. — Reuter.

It was announced yesterday that seven Chinese factories had withdrawn from the Dutch-Indian sugar combine.]

'QUAKE IN BURMA.

NEARLY 40 PERSONS KILLED; MANY INJURED.

RAILWAY NOW UNSAFE.

Rangoon, Yesterday. So far 36 persons have been killed and many injured in an earthquake last night in the district of Pyu, which has seriously affected the railway from Mandalay to Rangoon. It is now unsafe in several places. — Reuter.

PEARL FISHING.

ALIENS TO RETAIN NO INTERESTS.

NEW ORDINANCE.

Canberra, Yesterday. An ordinance has been gazetted designed to prevent aliens retaining any interest in Australian pearl fishing. — Reuter.

ROAD HOGS.

FINES IMPOSED ON CHINESE DRIVERS.

Summoned before Mr. E. H. Williams this morning for speeding in Queen's Road Central, a Chinese driver pleaded guilty. Traffic Sergeant Brown said that he paced defendant from the Central Market to the Queen's Theatre, and his speed all the way was 30 miles per hour. This exceeded the maximum for a commercial vehicle.

A fine of \$15 was imposed. In another case a fine of \$25 was imposed on the Chinese driver of a car, who admitted negligent driving. It was stated that defendant drove his vehicle on the wrong side of Queen's Road West, and, when rounding a bend near the Government Civil Hospital, he went at 25 miles per hour.

ESCAPE FROM REDS.

Hankow, Yesterday. Father De Gasperi has escaped and reached Hankow safely. — Reuter. [A Hankow message of December 2 stated: The Catholic Mission here received a telegram to-night from Hwanchow-fu stating that Father Augustin De Gasperi, of the Italian Transilvanian Mission, had been captured by "Reds" at Sushow.]

WALES OPPOSED TO A STRIKE.

Scotland and Yorkshire Favour Stoppage.

QUESTION OF HOURS.

London, Yesterday. Having disposed of the question of a national strike the miners' conference discussed the question of permitting the operation of the spread over of hours' system. It is understood that Scotland, Yorkshire, and Lancashire are among the districts voting in favour of a national stoppage. South Wales, which is working on the spread over system, in spite of the Federation's ban, has abstained from voting on the strike issue.

Spread Over Impasse.

Later. The miners' conference has referred the question of a spread over to the districts. — Reuter.

Vote for Peace Taken.

Rugby, Yesterday. The national conference of the Miners' Federation decided to-day against a national coal strike by 230,000 votes to 29,000. Districts representing about 100,000 men abstained from voting. These included South Wales, where the men have continued to work on a spread over basis. A vote for peace was taken after the miners' officials had pointed out the dangers of a national strike to the industry, to miners and to the country. Thereafter the conference reserved the recommendation it made last Friday that, in the event of a stoppage in one district, notices should be handed in throughout the country.

Officials reported on interviews with the Premier and other Ministers regarding the operation of the new Mines Act in relation to the coal situation and upon the recommendation of the National Industrial Board that in South Wales and Scottish areas temporary arrangements should be made for working a spread over on existing wages. It is stated that the Premier gave similar advice, so that while work is continued on such a basis the mines industry might have a chance to get its organisation schemes and the new Mines Act working. — British Wireless Service.

Earlier News.

Rugby, Yesterday. The Prime Minister, accompanied by the President of the Board of Trade and the Minister for Mines, had a long conference last night with the Executive Committee of the Miners' Federation, with the object of breaking the deadlock over the hours of work in the coalfields.

The Secretary of the Federation Mr. A. J. Cook, stated after the interview that they had reviewed the whole position, going into the questions of operation of the Coal Mines Act and the need for giving the Act time to work, and the bringing of more money into the industry for the benefit of wages. This, he said, would be fully reported to the Federation's Delegate Conference, held to-day. At present, owing to various reasons, the marketing and other schemes, authorised by the Act have not yet come into operation.

The Act fixes a working day at seven and a half hours, with the sanction of the Mineowners' Organisation and Miners' Federation. To-day's delegate conference had to examine the application of the Scottish miners for support in their insistence on enforcement of the seven and a half hours' day, to which support they claim they are entitled in view of the Delegate Conference decision last week refusing to authorise any spread over. The South Wales miners, on the other hand, applied for the Federation's approval of the spreadover which has been negotiated locally.

The Daily Herald says there is a strong hope that a way will be found to avert a serious stoppage. — British Wireless Service.

Manitoba bought 185,000 tons of Alberta and Saskatchewan coal from June 15 to September 25, at a cost of \$2,000,000.

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SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.		
KANAKURA MARU	Wednesday	17th December.
NEW YORK, BOSTON via Panama.		
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MADRAS MARU	Thursday	18th December.
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NELSON.

THE SECRET OF HIS POPULARITY.

What was — and still is — the secret of the popularity of Nelson, of the affection and devotion of the people of his day and ours to him and to his memory? asks Boyd Cable, (author of British Battles of Destiny), in the Trafalgar Day issue of the Morning Post.

It is safe to say it was not his fame as a successful commander, as a genius of naval strategy and tactics, not even his great and annihilating victories over his enemies. Other commanders have had successes in their way as great as, or even greater than, those of Nelson, and yet their names call little or no thrill of emotion, admiration, or affection to any but the experts and historians.

We have to look for something more lasting than a well-deserved fame as a genius of war if we are to find any glimpse of the reason for Nelson's enshrinement in the hearts of the nation, and I believe we can only find that reason amongst those which so endeared him to his people in his own day.

There are perhaps two main reasons for the esteem and affection of a commander by his men—the first that he wins his battles, that he leads his followers to assured victory; the second that he has a human contact which endears him to all he meets, and that this endearment and worship is passed on to those who know it only by hearsay—our own "Bobs" being an outstanding example of this in the whole armies of his day and after it.

Nelson had the first attribute to an extraordinary degree, and it is important to remember that the immediate and inevitable results of his victory or defeat were matters thoroughly well-known to the civilian population as well as the armed forces.

To appreciate this we must go back to the day when the whole nation waited for more than two years for the result of the long-drawn battle of Napoleon to gain command of the Straits for six little hours so that he might pour on our shores his vast and magnificent "Grand Army of England," and prevent the enemy flotilla from crossing.

From May, 1803, to October 21, 1805, Napoleon's army along the heights of Boulogne increased steadily, great fleets of boats were built for the crossing, constant rehearsals carried out for swift embarkation and landing. All this was known to the people of England, and the South of it especially, and we can understand a little of the relief, the removal of a load of dread, the feeling of safety that swept the country when the news came of Trafalgar and the destruction of the enemy fleets there, the certainty that fear of invasion was gone for that generation.

So deep was that sense of relief and of freedom from the long nightmare of dread, and so impressed was it on the minds of the nation, that Trafalgar never has been, and never will be, forgotten.

But Nelson was deeply and widely loved before his victory at Trafalgar. It is told that when he went to embark before his men had to make a way by force through the press of people, while men, women, and children knelt and asked his blessing as he passed, and watched, with streaming tears, the frail, little, one-eyed, one-armed, figure take his place in the boat.

This adoration came before Trafalgar, and was something that was a living force apart from his warlike qualities and genius to victory. It was something, built up from his personal character and behaviour as it was known first to his own officers and men, and passed out from them to the nation.

The human qualities which so endeared him have an equal appeal to us to-day. He was simple, straightforward, and honest, in word and in deed. He hated his country's enemies heartily, robustly, and vigorously. He trusted his own people to the last inch; he distrusted and despised politicians as a class.

He never asked his men to do what he would not do himself; he could, and did, outdo most in endurance and devotion to duty against all the handicap of his frail body and broken health.

In battle he never followed when he could lead.

When, as commodore of the little Captain, under Admiral Jarvis, he managed to hook on to the great San Nicolas and, boarded her, it was Nelson who led the way in through her quarter-gallery window, burst his way out of the cabin, joined the deck-boards, and took the ship; and when the still bigger San Josef hooked on and opened fire, it was Nelson again who led the way, sword in hand, across the deck of his prize, up on to the deck of the other ship, and took her also.

In those long years from May, 1803, Nelson was so grimly devoted to his task of holding the enemy blockaded that from that date until July, 1805, he never set his foot on shore. Every man in his fleet knew how bad was his health, how weak his body, and how doggedly he stuck to his ship and his duty.

Another, and perhaps the greatest reason for his people's affection, was that he never let them down, was always first to admit a fault, to blame himself, and not his subordinates. His victory of the Nile, great as it was, might have been even greater, if his orders of attack had been implicitly obeyed. Nelson never hinted a reproach for the disobedience, but gave praise for the gallantry that resulted from it.

Even when he had risen to be the idol of the nation, and the admitted genius of naval warfare, he remained as simple and unaffected as ever. At the councils he held on board his ship to discuss the pros and cons of any coming battle, the youngest and least experienced of his captains was as sure of a careful and considered hearing from the great Nelson, as Nelson himself might have expected.

Nelson's qualities as a commander and a fighter were known in detail to every man who served under him and to the nation. But greater and more lasting was the love he inspired in every man who knew him personally. It was an affection so deep and so sincere that it passed insensibly outward, and has become a tradition.

It was because everyone who knew him admired and loved him to an amazing degree that he was, is, and ever will be, beloved by his people. And because the day of his great death marks the day of his greatest victory, Nelson and Trafalgar Day have become a national institution.

STEAMER'S MOVEMENTS

The C.P.S. R.M.S. Empress of Asia arrived at Manila on December 4 (Thurs.) at 2 p.m., leaves Manila on December 5 (Fri.) at 4 p.m., and is due at Hong Kong on December 7 (Sun.) at 9 a.m. She leaves Hong Kong for Vancouver on December 10 (Wed.) at noon.

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Thursday, December 4.
Chekiang, British str., 1,313 tons, Capt. P. J. Maley, from Amoy, buoy No. B15.—B. & S.
Chusan, British str., 1,338 tons, Capt. R. Kettlewell, from Swatow, buoy No. C16.—B. & S.
Gange, Italian str., 6,752 tons, Capt. Peteris, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—Dodwell & Co.

Eng Lee, Chinese str., 865 tons, Capt. H. Maki, from Canton, buoy No. C44.—Yee Tai Hong.
Tang Sang, British str., 1,356 tons, Captain A. D. Kelman, from Swatow, West Point Wharf.—J. M. & Co.

Hayo Maru, Japanese str., 3,311 tons, Capt. Mural, from Moji, buoy No. B48.—Y.K.K.
Hokuroku Maru, Japanese str., 5,046 tons, Capt. K. Orihara, from Nagasaki, buoy No. A3.—O.S.K.

Kine Maru, Japanese str., 1,260 tons, Capt. K. Hirasawa, from Canton, buoy No. B11.—O.S.K.
King Yuen, British str., 1,546 tons, Capt. J. D. Whyte, from Canton, buoy No. B40.—B. & S.
Nanking Maru, Japanese str., 1,865 tons, Capt. M. Inoue, from Stagen, buoy No. A7.—O.S.K.

Sungshan Maru, Japanese str., 1,503 tons, Capt. T. Honjo, from Swatow, buoy No. B19.—N.Y.K.
Takada, British str., 6,949 tons, Capt. Lindou, from Amoy, Kowloon Wharf.—M.M. & Co.

Tetazuan Maru, Japanese str., 1,241 tons, Capt. K. Murakami, from Keelung, buoy No. C49.—Wada Jimusho.

Tjilbeet, Dutch str., 3,656 tons, Capt. J. School, from Manila, buoy No. A8.—J.C.J.L.
Trivia, British str., 2,836 tons, Capt. H. W. Clouston, from Tarakan, North Point Wharf.—A.P.C.

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Empress of Russia	Jan. 7	Jan. 10	Jan. 13	Jan. 16	Jan. 24
Empress of Japan	Feb. 5	Feb. 8	Feb. 10	Feb. 12	Feb. 20
Empress of Asia	Feb. 18	Feb. 21	Feb. 24	Feb. 26	Mar. 7
Empress of Canada	Mar. 6	Mar. 8	Mar. 10	Mar. 12	Mar. 20
Empress of Russia	Mar. 18	Mar. 21	Mar. 24	Mar. 26	Mar. 34
Empress of Japan	Apr. 1	Apr. 4	Apr. 7	Apr. 9	Apr. 17
Empress of Asia	Apr. 10	Apr. 13	Apr. 16	Apr. 18	Apr. 27
Empress of Canada	Apr. 25	Apr. 28	Apr. 30	May 2	May 14
Empress of Russia	May 8	May 11	May 14	May 16	May 25
Empress of Japan	May 23	May 26	May 28	May 30	June 10
Empress of Asia	June 5	June 8	June 11	June 13	June 22
Empress of Canada	June 20	June 23	June 25	June 27	July 8
Empress of Russia	July 3	July 6	July 9	July 11	July 20

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RANCHI	16,550	1931.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*JEYPORE	5,318	3rd Jan.	Marseilles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
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TALAMBA	8,018	24th Dec.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yama.
COMORIN	15,132	3rd Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
TALMA	10,000	12th Jan.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KASHGAR	9,005	17th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KHIVA	11,135	24th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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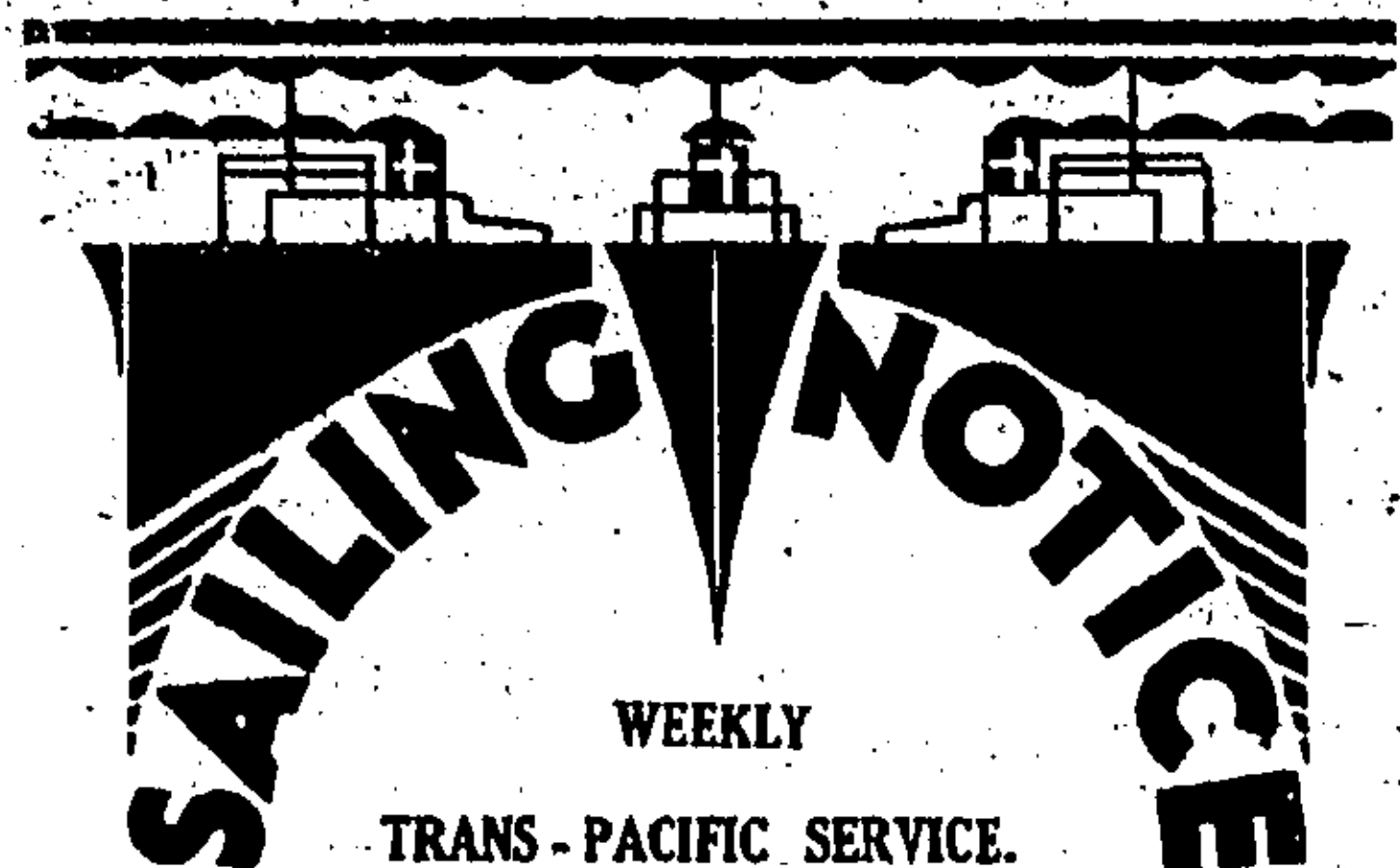
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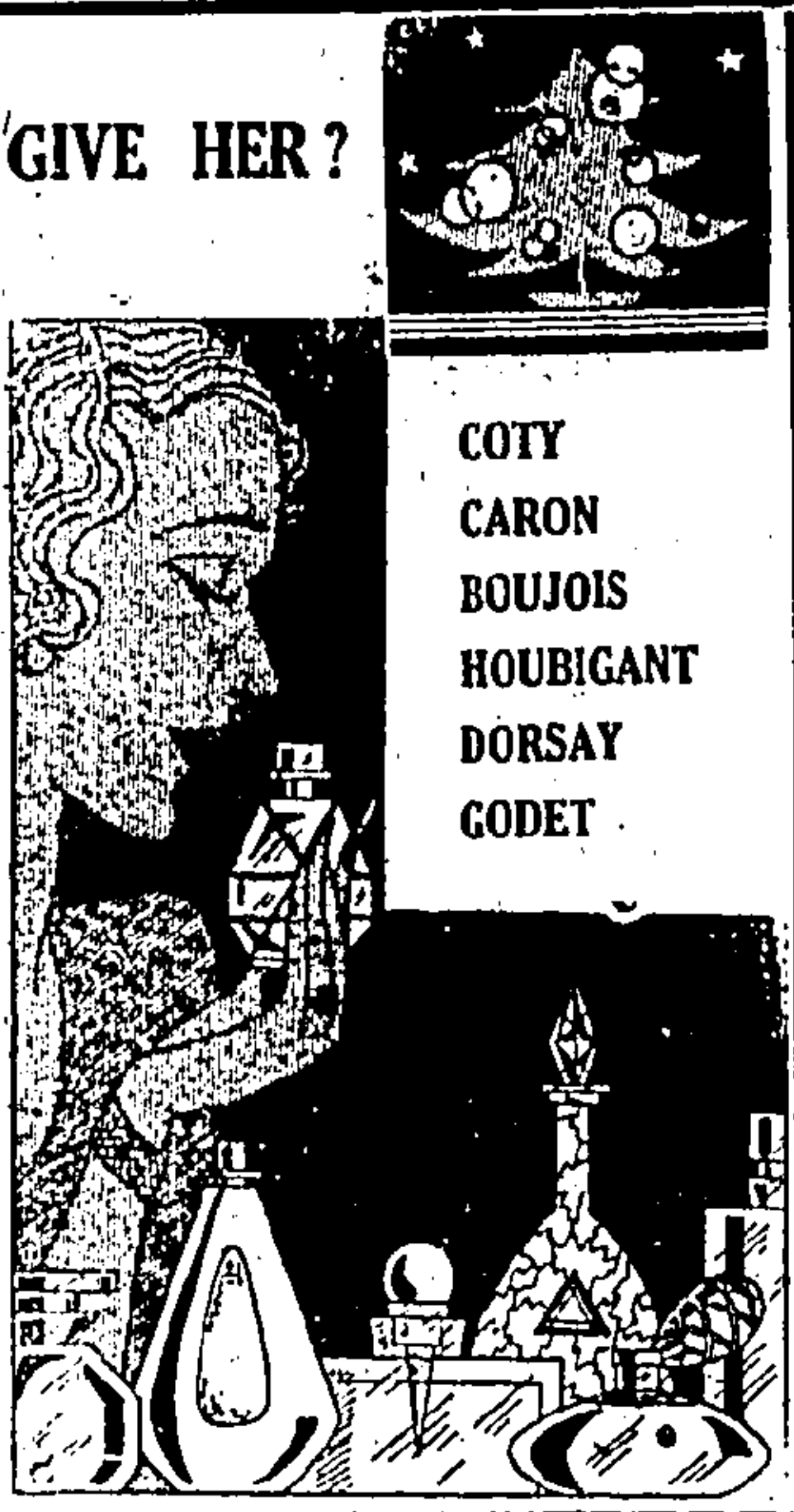
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Hong Kong, Friday, Dec. 5, 1930.

SHIBBOLETHS.

Dean Inge once remarked in one of his newspaper articles that history resembles itself, rather than repeats itself, and it certainly would appear from the recent activities of Sir Oswald Mosley and his anti-MacDonald confederates on the Labour benches that Britain, if these factionists are to have their way, will pass through a period of oligarchy similar to that obtaining in the days of the Long and Short Parliaments. According to a cable received to-day a manifesto issued by seven Labour Members of Parliament has been issued, urging that the supreme power of government should be placed in the hands of a few Ministers. In other words, these "advanced" politicians suggest that the Home country should humbly accept the yoke of an oligarchy until such time as conditions have improved. They justify this startling policy by explaining that the economic and industrial state of the country is fast approaching a national crisis, and that emergency measures, such as were taken during the Great War, should be adopted so as to place the control of the country, its resources, and its economic and industrial policy, under a handful of "wise dictators." They hope by the inception of this "Emergency Grand Council," to deal effectively with the coal situation, with all industrial ills, and to put a stop to the dumping of foreign surplus goods into Britain. A more Utopian scheme was never penned by Sir Thomas More or Samuel Butler; a scheme

more promising of tyranny under the benign cloak of "salvation," were never evolved by a Stalin. Yet but a second's thought suffices to indicate how fatuous the efforts of such a Council would be to deal with problems, so vast and intricate, that they may be solved in the course of years only by the disinterested co-operation of manufacturers and industrialists on the one hand, and the workers on the other. If a succession of Governments, each supposed to represent the wishes of different sections of public thought and opinion, has failed to discover and apply any immediate remedy for economic diseases, is it to be considered at all seriously that Sir Oswald Mosley and his brother Utopians alone may operate with success? The very fact that the State administrators have failed ever since the War to cope with the grave situations which have accumulated into a depressing economic canker, affecting the very roots of Britain's industrial system, is proof in itself that the methods of Government are faulty and inefficient. The Chinese have a way of pinching other parts of their bodies to distract the attention of the "pain devil" from those parts which are making them ill. This primitive "cure" is very much akin to the tactics adopted by the British Governments in dealing with the pains and ills of the Commonwealth, and are we surprised that it has never succeeded? The cure for a disease is to be sought in the centre of the organic disturbance, and if a little more scientific method were applied to the troubles at home, perhaps the political doctors would have the reward of seeing the economic depression recover and trade renew its erstwhile strength.

The speeches and official statements of the Premier and the members of his Cabinet have for the past year been embodied with a tedious platitude of references to "world depression," and even President Hoover has been obliged to console the American electorate with similar soothing pills. That a world depression, more disastrous than anything since the Industrial Revolution, does face the great economic Powers cannot, of course, be denied, but the remedy lies within the ability of each country to seek its own salvation. Whichever Party happens for the moment to be in power, the country is fundamentally dependent on and controlled by the prosperity of its industries, and if a conference of the great leaders were to meet with the sole aim of

reaching a solution beneficial to the country, as was done recently in America through the aegis of President Hoover, then we might reasonably expect some successful issue to emerge. The manifesto penned by Sir Oswald Mosley, however, is scarcely worth the attention that it has received in the Press, other than that it may lead to the radical conclusion that Sir Oswald and his confederates have an axe of their own to grind and are ambitious of inaugurating another party. We believe that the country at large will have little faith in their shibboleth, however, and doubt whether it will meet with even as much success, as was attained by the idealistic Empire Crusade of Lord Rothermere.

News in Brief.

Li Heng (18) was yesterday removed to the Government Civil Hospital, after being found apparently insane in Central Street.

Mr. E. H. Williams (Second Magistrate) took the Bench in the First Court this morning. Mr. R. E. Lindsell (Senior Magistrate) being on leave.

A Chinese appeared before Mr. Butters this morning charged with stealing a basket of female clothing from 503, Nathan Road. Accused was remanded for 24 hours.

Mr. Ph. C. Visser is to lecture on "The Fourth Karakorum Expedition," illustrated with lantern slides, in the Great Hall of the University on Monday, at 8.30 p.m.

For unlawfully possessing 604 lb. of tobacco on which duty had not been paid, a Chinese was remanded for a week in the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. Bail of \$5,000 was allowed.

Chief Inspector Charles Frederick Aris, of the Hong Kong Police Force, is leaving for home on board the P. & O. Kalyan on December 20, on his retirement on pension, after over 30 years' service.

For possessing two tins of illicit opium a Chinese was fined \$60 or one month's imprisonment in the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. When arrested in Jordan Road accused stated that it was given to him by a man in Woosung Street.

It was stated by the Police this morning, when a Chinese was charged before Mr. E. H. Williams in the Central Magistracy with the unlawful possession of seven tins of illicit opium, that the drug was contained in tins concealed in accused's girdle. A fine of \$600 or four months' jail was imposed.

The forthcoming marriages are announced of Joseph Harrop, residing at Huntington, Stubbs Road, Hong Kong, to Phyllis Margaret Goodall, of Ava House, May Road, Hong Kong; and of Kong Seung-fung, doctor of medicine, 478, North Size Chuen Road, Shanghai, to Chan Sau-fun, 1, Ying Fai Terrace, Hong Kong.

The case against the two ricksha pullers, which was remanded yesterday in the Kowloon Magistracy pending the evidence of a European witness, was concluded to-day, both accused being acquitted. Witness stated that he saw one of the pullers struck by an Indian, also that he did not notice any stones. Mr. Butters ruled that the case was not proved.

GOING BACK.

FAREWELL TO CANADIAN PREMIER.

EMPIRE CO-OPERATION.

London, Yesterday.
Mr. J. H. Thomas was among a host of friends who bade farewell to Mr. R. B. Bennett, the Canadian Premier, on his return to Canada.
He said, "Mr. Bennett came as a close friend, and leaves as an even closer friend."
Mr. Bennett, interviewed by Reuters, declared that Canada would do her utmost at the Ottawa conference to ensure the adoption of measures to increase Empire co-operation.—Reuters.

MUKDEN MARSHAL.

VISIT TO NANKING AT AN END.

Nanking, Yesterday.
Chang Hsueh-ling, left the capital shortly after six this evening and crossed to Pukow, which he is leaving to-night, bound for the north.
Madame Chang crossed the river in order to bid farewell to Madame Chang Hsueh-ling.—Reuters.

COUNCIL MEETS.

FIRST READING OF NEW BILLS.

AMUSEMENT TAX.

At a meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday six new Bills passed their first reading, and seven others went through the final reading.

It was stated, in reply to the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, that, relative to the establishment of a Criminal Court of Appeal in Hong Kong, correspondence had passed between the Secretary of State and the Hong Kong Government, with a view to bringing the position in Hong Kong into line with the provisions of the Criminal Appeal Act, 1907.

Assessment Increase.

A resolution moved by the Colonial Secretary that Assessment rates be increased was adopted. In moving this resolution the Colonial Secretary said that a wrong idea seemed to have grown that rates are separately calculated and definitely allotted to specific expenditure; but there had in fact been no rule requiring adherence to a uniform percentage in the separate calculation, and variations of percentage had occurred. It was now proposed to review the whole table of figures, and leaving Water Rates apart, as a separate entity, to attempt to find a uniform percentage charge in all rated areas.

First Readings.

Bills which passed their first readings, objects and reasons of which have already appeared in these columns, were (a) A Bill to amend the Crown Lands Resumption Ordinance, (b) a Bill in respect of Entertainment Tax, (c) A Bill to further amend the Piers Ordinance, (d) three Bills concerning the Stamp Ordinance, the Tung Wah Hospital corporation, and powers of arrest by Revenue Officers, respectively.

Bills Passed.

The following Bills passed their second and third readings:—

"A Bill to amend the Police Force Ordinance, 1900."

"A Bill to amend the Probates Ordinance, 1897."

"A Bill to amend the Summary Offences Ordinance, 1845."

"A Bill to consolidate and amend the law relating to the District Watch Force."

"A Bill to amend the law relating to theatrical performances at places of public entertainment."

"A Bill for promoting the revision of the Ordinances of Hong Kong by the repeal of Ordinances and other enactments which are spent or no longer required and by the correction of errors."

"A Bill to amend the law relating to Companies."

Finance Committee.

At a meeting later of the Finance Committee, Estimates totalling \$195,431 were approved. Details have already appeared in these columns.

In connection with a vote of \$4,206 for University Examination Grants, the Chairman informed the Hon. Mr. Owen Hughes that the examinations were compulsory, and the Government paid the fees ultimately.

Mr. Paterson asked for details. The matter would come up before the Retrenchment Committee, and he thought it might be left until then.

The Chairman said that might be done, but it would be inconvenient to hold up the account. The matter could be discussed later, and in the meantime Mr. Paterson's remarks hardly affected the vote.

Replying to the Hon. Dr. Tso he said that the sum being voted would not affect the capitation grant in any way.

Tytam Pipe Line.

In connection with an item of \$15,500 for pipe line from Tytam to Stanley, the Hon. Mr. Owen Hughes observed that Stanley was rated at 12½ per cent. under the new scale. He wanted to know whether the supply of water had been taken into consideration in fixing this rate.

The Chairman replied that there was no special allocation of the rate for any particular expenditure.

Y.M.C.A. DRAMA.

AMATEUR THEATRICALS ON LADIES' NIGHT.

The Y.M.C.A. Amateur Dramatic Club presented W. W. Jacob's thriller, "The Monkey's Paw," at Ladies' Night yesterday, and scored a marked success. There was a large and appreciative audience present, and the play was enthusiastically received. The cast was—Mrs. White (Mrs. F. Bunjo), Mr. White (S. M. West), Herbert (her son) (J. Wilson), Sergt. Major Morris (J. J. Ferguson), and Mr. Sampson (Rev. N. V. Hayward). Mr. J. C. Granham was responsible for the realistic lighting effects. A musical entertainment was presented in the first section of the programme, those contributing to it being Mrs. Balen, Mrs. Arnold

ATTACK ON WARDER

PRISONER SENT TO THE ASSIZES.

ALLEGATIONS OF CONSPIRACY.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. E. H. Williams committed for trial at the Assizes Chinese prisoner 1614 on a charge of causing grievous bodily harm to Acting Principal Warder Bert Plumb by stabbing him twice in the main ward of Victoria Jail on October 22.

Interest in yesterday's hearing was centred on the evidence of the accused's fellow prisoners.

Prisoner 432 said that he was in the workshop at the time of the stabbing incident and did not, therefore know anything about it.

On the morning of October 22, witness, accused, and prisoner 478 went to the cook-house to have their provisions weighed and the rice was found to be short in weight. Accused was not allowed to weigh his rice, an Indian warder pushing him out of the office and back to the cell on A. P. W. Plumb's instructions.

Bugs in Bed Boards.

There were more than ten prisoners in the water and rice ward. They could not sleep owing to the bed boards being infested with bugs. When they banged the boards to get the bugs out a warder threatened to give them a further term of punishment diet. Witness also alleged that subsequently there was a conspiracy between two warders to put accused on report.

Witness added that A. P. W. Plumb did not treat the accused properly on the occasion when he wished to have his food weighed. He had also heard A. P. W. Plumb call the accused names and order him to stop talking. Witness agreed that talking between prisoners was forbidden by the prison regulations. "Plumb is the most troublesome man in the jail," he added.

Alleged Conspiracy.

Prisoner 67, stated that it was a rule for each prisoner to have two baths a week. On October 20, witness, accused, and another prisoner were not given their bath. The next day witness and the other prisoner were allowed to have their bath but the accused was deprived of it. Accused rang the bell three times when Warder Murphy took him to A. P. W. Plumb. Witness said that probably there was a conspiracy between the two officers to put the accused on a water and rice diet.

Prisoner 478, said he considered that A. P. W. Plumb's bullying attitude was the cause of the stabbing. Witness further said that it was wrong to weigh food in ounces instead of tins.

ROTARY CLUB.

INAUGURAL MEETING IN COLONY.

The inaugural meeting of the Hong Kong Rotary Club has been arranged for Monday evening in the Hong Kong Hotel. Mr. James W. Davidson, the Honorary General Commissioner of the Rotary International, has been here for a few weeks, quietly and efficiently organising the local branch of this great movement.

Over eighty names, covering the leading personalities of the Colony of all nationalities, have accepted invitations to join, and H.E. the Governor (Sir William Peel) is the first honorary member.

Mr. Davidson has had the greatest success in spreading Rotary through the Far East, and there is no reason why it should not do well in Hong Kong. Its primary object is to bring men of different races, creeds and occupations together. It adopts the fundamental method of holding a meal—a luncheon—once a week after which a short address is given by a member or a guest.

There are now 23 Rotary Clubs in the Middle Asia area—five in India, two in Burma, one in Ceylon, three in the Straits Settlements, four in F.M.S., six in Java, one in Sumatra, and one in Bangkok.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul acknowledges the following further donations to the forthcoming Fete in aid of Hong Kong's poor:—

Mr. Tong Ching-po \$10, Mr. G. P. de Martin \$25, Mrs. H. Banker \$8, Hon. Mr. O. G. S. Mackie \$10, Sir Robert Ho Tung \$160, Lady Ho Tung \$25, Mr. J. M. Castro, Busto \$20, Mr. Li Ping \$25, Mr. A. L. Shields \$10, Anonymous \$15, Estate of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Gomes \$25, Estate of Joao Eduardo Gomes \$15, Anonymous \$10, Mr. Leung Yan-po \$20.

and Mrs. Austin, who gave instrumental trios, Mrs. O. G. Womack, Mr. H. G. Annis, Mr. H. Glover (Songs), and Mr. Dick Barry (Songs at Piano). Mr. Dudley Bartlett was accompanist.

BRITISH FILMS IN SIAM.

Big Contract for Their Exhibition.

SIGNED IN HONG KONG.

The China Mail learns from an authoritative source that a large contract for the showing of British films in Siam has just been signed.

It is stated that representatives of the principal theatres of Bangkok and other Siam centres recently met the British agents of the Home film producers in Hong Kong, and discussed plans for re-producing the best of the British features in eight of Siam's biggest movie houses.

Plans were also made to "wire" another twelve theatres in that country British talkie equipment.

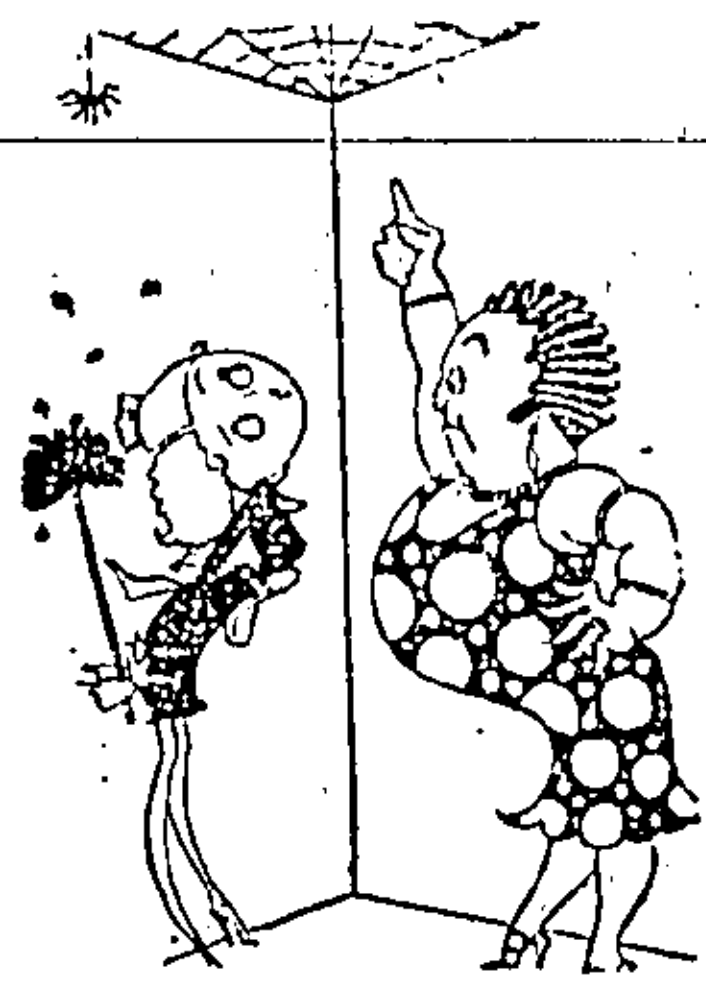
One of the Siamese representatives, Mr. S. Chan, when approached by a China Mail representative for further details of this interesting development in British talkies for the Far Eastern trade, beyond confirming that the business ran into several hundred thousand pounds annually, was not prepared to give any further particulars. They would undoubtedly be given out from London in due course, he said.

HELENA MAY.

SONG RECITAL IN FOUR LANGUAGES.

BRAHMS AND QUILTER.

It was a thoughtful decision of Mrs. Richard Sanger, in a Colony where so many nationalities in harmony abide, to provide an "International song recital" in the Helena May Institute yesterday, and led one to admit that the League of Nations "fever" may be even more prevalent in Hong



"Now, Maggie, Maggie! What's that?"
"Something to do with the wireless, ain't it, mum?"
Everybody's Weekly, London.

Kong than the sceptics would at first allow. Two charming songs in Italian and two in French were sung by Mr. Li Chor-chi, and to those of us who are familiar with these languages their enunciation by a Chinese is at least interesting. Mr. Li's sop notes are mellow and never forced, but he belongs quite definitely to the "drawing room" class of tenor. Unfortunately, with some of the more difficult verses he is so intent on a correct articulation that he recites rather than sings, but the general impression of his performance is distinctly pleasing.

More Italian.
Italian songs, again, were the choice of Mrs. Oswald Womack, who sang the fascinating little "Non so piu," with its staccato movement, extremely well. The other song of Mozart's, "Deh Vieni," which was included in her repertoire yesterday, was a trifle forced and shrill. We did not wait to hear "Trieste est in Steppe."

Mrs. Sanger sang three short songs by Brahms (in German), all of which were very agreeably rendered, whilst Mrs. Winifred Wilson (contralto) gave a happy selection of English songs by Quilter and Elgar. Mr. Maurice Barton, whose lower notes are quite pleasing, was safer with "The Pibroch" than with "A Lover's Garland," in which his higher notes were strained and ready.

Mrs. Bragg and Messrs. George Grimbly, Dudley Bartlett and F. Mason played their pianoforte accompaniments adequately.

An angry customer came into the grocer's shop and tossed a package on the counter.
"Makes washing a pleasure," does it?" she sniffed. "Does washing while you wait, does it? It's the little flakes of soap that—"
"One moment, madam, please," said the grocer. "This is not soap."

"Not soap?"
"No, your daughter asked for half a pound of grated cheese and half a pound of soap flakes. This is the cheese."
"My cats, and I have made a pudding."

ROUND THE CINEMAS

"A LADY TO LOVE" — FIRST SCREENING.

VILMA'S "I AIN'T".

Able supported by Edward G. Robinson, who did some fine acting as Tony, her Italian husband, and Robert Ames as Buck, the Yankee, she fell in love with at first sight, Vilma Banky, the lovely Hungarian film star, made good in her first full length talkie "A Lady To Love," which started its run in the Queen's Theatre yesterday.

Vilma's accent was foreign but as she was playing the role of a Swiss girl in America, it was appropriate. It was a pity, however, that she often used the phrase "I ain't".

Robinson was a typical Italian to whom practically every English word must end with "a", whilst Ames was, of course, a 100 per cent. American who said "Oh Shucks" and is rough and ready with the "winners." His saving grace was that he did not say "Oh Yeah?"

The plot of the film is the usual love triangle. Vilma is a waitress in a Californian restaurant who is for ever sighing for the open spaces that she knew in her native Switzerland and loved so well. Tony is the prosperous owner of an orange grove in Napa valley, whilst Ames is Tony's adopted son.

"GREYHOUND LIMITED."

Thrills and suspense, humour and romance, are the ingredients of Warner Brothers' presentation "The Greyhound Limited" starring Monte Blue and Edna Murphy, playing at the Star Theatre to-day and to-morrow.

The plot concerns the false accusation of murder against a pal of the Limited (Monte Blue) in a car, and how the situation is cleared is told admirably on the screen, with the aid of superb acting. Grant Withers is the pal. The supporting cast is a good one.

In addition are screened Screen Snapshots, depicting an interesting survey of many notable actresses and actors in private life, A Prizma Colour, and a comedy, in which Earle Foxe is starred; complete the programme.

"LORD BYRON OF B'WAY."

"The Woman in the Shoe," who was possessed of too many children is the nursery rhyme character who forms the excuse for an elaborate technicolour stage number in "Lord Byron of Broadway," the new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer comedy with music, which will open on Sunday in the Queen's Theatre.

Nacio Herb Brown and Arthur Freed composers of "Singin' in the Rain," wrote the spectacular dance number which features Ethelind Terry, prima donna of Ziegfeld's "Rio Rita."

Sammy Lee, former dance director for Florenz Ziegfeld, fashioned the dance so that it shifts at the behest of a fairy wand from an old, down-at-the-heel shoe, similar to the illustrations in any "Mother Goose" to a very modern, smart high-heeled slipper.

"The Woman in the Shoe" sequence represents the peak of triumph reached by Roy Erskine, "Lord Byron of Broadway," irresistible hero of Nell Martin's novel. Erskine and his love affairs provide a busy evening for the picture's lead, the debonaire Charles Kaley whom M-G-M snatched from "Earl Carroll's Vanities" for the part. Cliff Edwards, the popular comedian, has a splendid part as Joe Lundeen, Erskine's partner.

Crane Wilbur and Willard Mack, scenarists of the production, have also provided a number of solos for Edwards to sing in the inimitable manner which has sold his record by the millions.

Other players include Gwen Lee, Marion Shilling, Benny Rubin, Drew Demorest, Gino Corrado, Hazel Craven and Rita Flynn.

"SAFETY IN NUMBERS."

"Buddy" Rogers, that charming young fellow who is the idol of mothers, fathers, brothers, sisters, wives, aunts and sweethearts, worked his talking-screen alchemy in the Central Theatre in "Safety in Numbers" yesterday and thereby put pulsating joy in the hearts of the hundreds who flocked there to see him.

"Safety in Numbers" is as close to amusement perfection as a talkie-single could ever be. It has everything—plus Mr. Rogers, who seems to have more than that.

The plot, and a cleverly-conceived one it proved to be, deals with the fortunes of a young heir to wealth who is sent to New York by his guardian uncle to be schooled in the ways of the wily world. The teachers whom the uncle wisely chose for this job are three gorgeous "Follies" girls.

The girls are pledged to refrain from vamping "Buddy," but they can't help falling for him. Neither can two other girls whom he meets in his spirited gallivanting around Gotham. One day a group from the "Follies" comes to the girls' apartment to rehearse a new song and dance number. "Buddy" inter-

CABLES IN CHINA.

NEGOTIATIONS WITH FOREIGN COMPANIES.

NEW RADIO STATION.

Nanking, Yesterday.
The Ministry of Communications spokesman to-day made a statement on the present situation regarding negotiations between the Chinese Government and the foreign cable companies, the Eastern Extension, Great Northern, and Commercial Pacific, whose contracts with China expire at the end of the year.

The spokesman said that the Ministry had arranged the early completion of a new radio station in Shanghai (making it possible to have direct communication with America and Europe) and had also arranged for the payment of China's debt of nearly \$5,000,000 to the cable companies. In the event of the present negotiations breaking down, the Ministry was fully prepared to handle all outgoing and incoming messages.

The issues now being discussed between the Government and the companies were: Firstly, landing rights; secondly, the future interests of the companies in China; and lastly, cable rates.

The spokesman said the cable companies desired a twenty-year extension of their monopoly of landing rights, but the Chinese Government could not agree, though it was willing to discuss a shorter period.

The Chinese Government insists that the Chinese Telegraph Administration must handle all incoming and outgoing traffic in China, to which the companies object on the ground that the Chinese administration would unduly favour the Chinese owned radio station; to which the Chinese Government has replied that it appreciated the importance of the cables and would protect the companies' interests.

The spokesman concluded, that the Chinese Government is holding out for a bigger increase in the proportion of cable revenues payable to it than the companies have yet offered.—Reuter.

LIBERAL PARTY.

POSITION IN HOUSE OF COMMONS.

LEADER'S SPEECH.

Rugby, Yesterday.
In view of the position of the Liberal Party in the House of Commons, where it holds the balance as between the two larger parties, special interest attaches to a speech to be delivered by Mr. Lloyd George to-morrow.

It is being preceded by a private meeting to-day with Liberals in both Houses of Parliament and with the Liberal Parliamentary candidates, and to-night Mr. Lloyd George is consulting other prominent Liberals.—British Wireless Service.

NEW ZOO.

400 ACRES FOR PARK IN BEDFORDSHIRE.

London, Yesterday.
The new zoological park at Whipsnade, Bedfordshire, which comprises 400 acres and where animals will be shown in conditions similar to those in the Zoological Gardens in London, will probably be open to the public next Whitsuntide, and will give free movement to large crowds.

It is estimated that the enclosures will hold 100,000 visitors.—British Wireless Service.

NON-COMMITTAL.

JAPAN AND RETROCESSION OF CONCESSION.

Tokyo, Yesterday.
The Japanese Government has replied to China's recent demand retrocession of the Hankow Concession.

It is understood that the reply is a formal acknowledgment of the note, and is entirely non-committal, as the demand is not regarded seriously.—Reuter.

rupts the proceedings by proposing one he wrote himself. The producer likes it and buys it from "Buddy." Meanwhile "Buddy" has fallen hard for one of his teachers. After a series of amusing adventures in which music and song play a big part, "Buddy" wins the girl.

Richard Tucker, a veteran of the films, plays the role of the uncle. The five girls, who "romanticate" with the overbearing "Buddy" are Carol Lombard, Kathryn Crawford, Josephine Dunn, Virginia Bruce and Geneva Mitchell.

Roscoe Karns as the "hard-boiled" taxi-driver provides much of the comedy support, aided by Louise Beavers, Negro comedienne, and Raoul 'Easel' the husky chauffeur. Francis McDonald provides the not-for-momenting romance.

VOLUNTEER CORPS

'ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK.

CAMP INSTRUCTIONS.

Orders by Lieut-Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., commanding Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, are as under:—

PARADES.
There will be no parades for the week commencing Monday.

The Band will be in camp at full strength from to-day to Sunday.

Battery.
There will be no parades except as ordered by O. C. Battery.

Uniform.—Any member whose uniform is not completed must inform B.Q.M.S. Davis and draw the necessary items before camp.

Camp.—December 12-14 and 19-21.

Engineer Company.
Monday. Miniature Range shoot at 5.30 p.m.

Thursday. D.L. instruction at Wellington Barracks, 5.30 p.m.

All ranks who attended camp are requested to attend on either of the above two dates to draw pay.

Corps Signals.
There will be a parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday.

Machine Gun Troop.
There will be a parade at Corps Headquarters for Machine Gun instruction at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday.

Armoured Car Company.
Parade at Kowloon Ferry at 5.15 p.m. to-day and proceed to camp at Fanling.

Dress.—Helmets slung on left shoulder. Beret caps, khaki tunics, breeches, puttees mounted fashion, bandoliers, haversack, waterbottle, great coat and slings.

Regulation pattern shirts, hose-tops and shorts to be taken with baggage.

Motor Cycle Section.
Parade at Kowloon Railway Station in accordance with orders issued separately by O.C. Section.

There will be a parade at Headquarters at 5.15 p.m. on Monday for machine gun instruction.

Machine Gun Company.
Parades.—Tuesday at Headquarters in mufti. Fall in at 5.30 p.m. for machine gun training under platoon arrangements.

Scottish Company.
There will be no parades on Thursday, but all ranks are reminded that equipment and rifle should be drawn on that date for camp.

Camp.—The Company will attend camp during the week-end, commencing Friday, December 12. Kilts and glengarries will be worn to proceed to and from camp, and shorts will be worn in camp.

Portuguese Company.
Camp.—The Company will be in camp during this week-end. Details have already been issued.

Part II Musketry.—On Sunday, December 21, all those who have not fired Part II classification this season, will proceed to Stonecutters Range.

Details will be issued later.

Parade.—There will be no parade on Friday.

Strength.
The following have been taken on Corps Strength:—

Pte. T. S. Fraser, No. 6 Platoon. Bdm. S. Sousa, Corps Band.

Pte. M. M. Maher, No. 12A. Pte. Chong Shiu-lam, Medical Section.

Sirack Off The Strength.

No. 1343 Pte. V. W. L. Stanion, No. 4 Platoon.

No. 1394 Pte. H. L. F. Ewin, No. 4 Platoon.

L/Cpl. F. C. B. Black, No. 4 Platoon.—19.11.30 to 18.12.30.

Tpr. T. Lindars, M. G. Troop. Sgt. L. Goodman, No. 1 Platoon.—26.11.30 to 31.12.30.

Pte. R. M. Wood, No. 2 Platoon.—3.12.30 to 31.12.31.

C.S.M. D. Davies, Medical Sec.—6.12.30 to 5.12.31.

L/Cpl. G. G. Stopani-Thomson, No. 7 Platoon, returned from leave on November 20.

Rolls, Checking Off.—

Officers Commanding the under-mentioned Units will please make arrangements for a responsible representative to check their Rolls with those of the Adjutant during the last two week-ends in camp:—

1. Portuguese Company

2. Machine Gun Troop

3. Scottish Company.

In addition to numbers and names, the latest addresses and the names of those on leave are

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

COMPAGNIE MARITIME BEIGE (LLOYD ROYAL) SOCIETE ANONYME.

From ANTWERP.

The Steamship, "CAUCASIER"

having arrived, Consignees of cargo are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous godowns of the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 10th December, 1930, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the vessel must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 17th December, 1930, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 10th December, 1930, at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

THE BANK LINE LTD., Agents.
Hong Kong, 4th December, 1930.

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urgently required.

A similar check of the Battery and the Engineer Company Rolls is required. Officers Commanding the above two Units will please inform the Adjutant as to when they will be able to carry out this check.

Battery, After Order.
There will be a parade on Thursday, December 11 at 5.15 p.m. at Headquarters for the whole Battery.

The Battery will proceed to camp on Friday, December 12, at 5.45 from Kowloon Ferry.

Details later.

(Sgd.) W. H. G. GOATER, Captain, Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C.

MOTOR SMASH.

CAR RUNS INTO A LORRY.

DRIVER UNINJURED.

A motor accident occurred in Johnston Road, near the No. 2 Police Station, soon after 9 o'clock this morning, resulting in a private motor car being badly damaged.

A lorry was following a tramcar going eastward, and following closely behind the lorry was the private car, the only person in it at the time being the driver.

The tramcar pulled up at its usual stopping place a few yards to the west of No. 2 Police Station and the lorry stopped behind it. Apparently the driver of the private car was taken unawares and, not having allowed much space between his vehicle and the lorry, he was unable to pull up at short notice so that the car ran into the back of the lorry.

The lorry, which is higher than the car, did not receive much damage, but the front of the car was smashed. The glass of the windshield was shattered and splinters flew into the car, but the driver was fortunate to escape injury.

"Well, Martin," said the country squire to his ex-footman who had left a year before to join the Navy and had returned on leave, "how do you like your new life?"
"Fine, sir," replied the sailor.
"That's good," said the man's previous master.

"Yes, sir it's a grand life. Once upon a time I didn't think much of the sea, though," the sailor explained, "but now I see that the water's for the finest thing in the world. For instance, if there was no water in the world not one of us would learn to swim, and then look what a lot of people would be drowned."

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"Gentleman overboard, if you please," said Mrs. De Snobbe indignantly. "That's my husband."

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INWARD MAILS

From	Per
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, Nov. 15)	President Jefferson
Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers, London, Nov. 6 and Parcels, Oct. 30)	Ranchi
Calcutta and Straits	Nam Sang
Japan	Sydney Maru.
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6.	
Shanghai & Swatow	Szechuen
Australia and Manila	S. Albans
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7.	
Shanghai and Amoy	Tsinan
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London, Nov. 17) and Amoy	Tjikarang
Manila	Empress of Asia
MONDAY, DECEMBER 8.	
Straits	Bochum
Straits	Mirzapore
Manila	President McKinley
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9.	
Straits	Van Heutz
Japan and Shanghai	D'Artagnan
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10.	
Batavia	Tjibodas
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12.	
Japan and Shanghai	Terukuni Maru
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13.	
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, Nov. 14)	President Polk
MONDAY, DECEMBER 15.	
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, Nov. 21)	President Grant

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per
Samahui and Wuchow	Tai Hing 4 p.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane	Sydney Maru (Due Brisbane December 19) Registration, 4.15 p.m. Letters, 5 p.m.
Japan	Ranchi 5 p.m.
Shanghai & Europe via Siberia	Ranchi Registration, Dec. 5, 5 p.m. Letters, 6 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Rawalpindi (Due Marseilles, Jan. 2, 1931.) G.P.O.
K.P.O.	
Parcels, Dec. 5, 4.30 p.m. Registration, Dec. 6, 9 a.m. Letters, 10 a.m.	Parcels, Dec. 5, 5 p.m. Registration, Dec. 6, 9.45 a.m. Letters, 10.30 a.m.
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6.	
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East Africa via Mombasa and South Africa via Lourenco Marques	Canada Maru 10 a.m.
Swatow	Yuan Lee 11.30 a.m.
Formosa	Hokuroken Maru 12.30 p.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Takada
Dalny	Chusan 1.30 p.m.
Saigon	City of Roubaix 1.30 p.m.
Manila	President Jefferson 4.30 p.m.
Amoy and Japan	Namsang 5 p.m.
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7.	
Bangkok via Swatow	Kiangsu 8.30 a.m.
Amoy	Kwangtung 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru 9 a.m.
MONDAY, DECEMBER 8.	
Swatow	Hydrangea 3 p.m.
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and Europe via Victoria, B.C.	President McKinley (Due Victoria, B.C., Dec. 26.)
Parcels, Dec. 8, 3 p.m. Registration, 4.15 p.m. Letters, 5 p.m.	Parcels, Dec. 8, 3 p.m. Registration, 4.15 p.m. Letters, 5 p.m.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	President McKinley Registration, Dec. 8, 5 p.m. Letters, 6 p.m.
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9.	
Manila and Sourabaya	Tjikarang 9.30 a.m.
Calcutta via Straits	Kum Sang
Parcels, Dec. 9, Noon. Letters, 1 p.m.	Parcels, Dec. 9, Noon. Letters, 1 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Yang 1 p.m.
Straits, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Diomed (Due Marseilles, Jan. 8, 1931.) G.P.O.
K.P.O.	
Registration, Dec. 9, 1 p.m. Letters, 1 p.m.	Registration, Dec. 9, 1.45 p.m. Letters, 2.30 p.m.
Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	D'Artagnan
K.P.O.	
Registration, Dec. 9, 1 p.m. Letters, 1 p.m.	Registration, Dec. 9, 1.45 p.m. Letters, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hang Sang 5 p.m.

*Superscribed correspondence only.

HOCKEY.

ARGYLLS FULLY EXTENDED AGAINST Y.M.C.A.

CLUB DEFEATED.
A weakened Y.M.C.A. eleven bowed the knee to the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders yesterday at King's Park by the only goal scored.

The game was clean, fast and interesting but the handicap of playing two men short was too much for the hard working Y.M.C.A. defence. It was, however, a game in which the defence triumphed over the attack. G. F. Rees, playing as both full-backs for the "Y" gave one of the best exhibitions of defensive play witnessed this season at King's Park. Both attacking combinations lacked thrust and the game became monotonous as a result.

Club v. Army.
The Hockey Club conceded four goals against the Army in the first half of their game on the U.S.R.C. ground yesterday, and were never able to recover from this early reverse.

After the resumption the Club combined better, but erratic shooting when favourably placed threw away golden opportunities. The final whistle saw the Club lose by the four goals scored in the initial half.

Radio Sports Club.
The following will represent the R.S.C. Hockey Team in a hockey match with the University at 4.30 p.m. to-day on the University ground—
B. S. Gill; A. E. P. Guest, J. S. Grewal; Kailash Singh, Mohinder Singh, Atar Singh, M. H. Hasdan, Gurbachan Singh, Atwar Singh (Captain), R. Khan and Mr. Kemp. Club Against 23rd Highlanders.

The following will represent the "Club" 2nd XI at King's Park on Monday, December 8, at 5 p.m. sharp.

Borrowman; L. F. Nicholson, A. J. R. Wolf; L. A. R. Duncan, E. G. S. Dale, A. A. R. Botelho, S. J. H. Fox, T. W. Southam, W. A. Nowers, R. H. D. Wade and E. C. Fincher.

GOLF.

The Royal Hong Kong Golf Club notifies the following starting times for Sunday—
9.00 a.m. H. Spicer, C. B. Riggs.
9.04 " J. H. Crawford, H. W. Dully.

9.12 to 9.24 a.m.—Not to be booked. Championship matches below should be allowed to pass any matches in front.

9.25 a.m. M. L. Smith, F. J. de Rome
9.25 " J. Newton, J. S. MacLaren
9.30 " J. W. Franks, A. H. Musson
9.35 " H. U. Ireland, J. M. Walker
9.40 " L. W. Sheehan, O. E. C. Marton

9.45 " A. T. Lay, A. B. Stewart
9.50 " Macfarlan
9.55 " I. H. Gear, L. G. S. Dodwell
10.00 " K. S. Robertson, J. G. Campbell

10.04 " D. H. Moore, J. Stuart
10.08 " D. Ellis, S. S. Perry
10.12 " T. Grant, H. Hampton
10.16 " W. A. Butterfield, D. G. McAvoy

10.20 " J. J. French, H. B. Mathews
10.24 " G. W. Garrett, S. J. H. Fox
10.28 " E. J. Atwell, G. T. May
10.32 " L. Yates, H. Lowe
10.36 " J. Coulthart, G. E. Ellams
10.40 " G. W. Jeffries, E. D. Matthews

10.44 " P. S. Grant, J. B. Lanyon
10.48 " T. J. Keogh, R. A. Campbell
10.52 " E. T. Nash, J. E. Richardson
10.56 " H. H. Williams, A. W. Muir
11.00 " F. S. Wolf, Comdr. Priestley

11.04 " J. R. Dovey, J. S. Dykes
11.08 " O. Eager, A. D. Humphreys
11.12 " A. G. Coppin, B. Des Voeux
11.16 " J. D. Hutchison, W. N. Buyers

11.20 " H. C. Russell, A. E. Stone
11.24 " S. A. Seth, H. A. Lammer
11.28 " T. C. Monaghan, C. Thwaites
11.32 " G. Costello, R. M. Fetterly
11.36 " E. P. Fletcher, A. R. Cox
11.40 " H. C. Durschmidt, C. R. Shank

11.44 " W. D. Harris, H. R. Campbell
11.48 " A. C. I. Bowker, D. Forbes
11.52 " A. Ritchie, D. S. Robb
11.56 " A. E. Lisaman, R. Young
12.00 p.m. E. D. Evans, G. W. Revo
12.04 p.m. N. K. Littlejohn, A. Leach
12.08 " A. O. Brown, A. B. Purves
12.12 " R. Sanger, K. K. Rounds
12.16 " R. G. Edwards-Jones, J. H. Davy

12.20 " S. J. Thomson, W. J. Clerk
12.24 " T. Low, E. M. Bryden
12.28 " R. H. Stuart, C. B. Maturin
12.32 " V. R. Gordon, W. Stewart

No fourth will be played till 1.30 p.m.

HOBBS & SUTCLIFFE IN INDIA.

Famous Pair Guests of the Evening.

JACK'S MODESTY.

Bombay, Nov. 9.
Over seventy guests were present last night at a dinner given by the Maharaj Kumar of Vizianagaram in honour of his guests, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hobbs and Mr. Herbert Sutcliffe, and the whole function was a great success as an informality was the prevailing note.

Only three speeches were made, the Maharaj Kumar proposing the toast of the guests of the evening after proposing the King. He paid a tribute to their prowess on the cricket field and explained that it was his hope that their visit to India would prove some recommendation.

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

Hockey—To-day—Radio Sports Club v. University; Club "A" v. Argylls, Club Ground, 5 p.m.
To-morrow—Y.M.C.A. II. v. H.M.S. Bruce, King's Park, 4 p.m.

Racing—To-day—Entire close for Steeplechase Meeting, Kwantli. To-morrow—Twelfth Extra Race Meeting.

Football—To-day—Entries close for Thirteenth Extra Meeting, noon. December 13—Thirteenth Extra Race Meeting.

December 21—Fanning Hunt Club's Steeplechase Meeting.
February 15—Fanning Hunt Club's Steeplechase Meeting.

January 18—Fanning Hunt Club's Steeplechase Meeting.
Chess—To-day—Kowloon Chess Club Championship.

Rugby Football—To-morrow—Club v. South Wales Borderers. Football—To-morrow—1st Division—St. Joseph's v. Borderers; Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders v. Royal Artillery; Police v. Club; Recreation v. Chinese; Navy v. Kowloon; 2nd Division—Navy v. Borderers; St. Joseph's v. Chinese; Royal Artillery v. South China; Club v. Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders; University v. Kowloon; Recreation v. Eastern; Third Division—R.A.O.C. v. Fukien.

Tuesday—Meeting of F.A. Council, 5.30 p.m.
January 1—The Services v. The Rest.
Golf—To-morrow and Sunday—K.G.C. Captain's Cup.

Sunday—R.H.K.G.C. Championship (first and second rounds).
December 14—K.G.C. Championship Semi-Final; R.H.K.G.C. Championship Semi-Final and G. M. Young Cup (First Round).

December 15—Fanning Hunt Club's Steeplechase Meeting.
R.H.K.G.C. Jardine, Matheson's Board Room, 5.30 p.m.

Boxing—To-morrow—Tournament, City Hall, 9 p.m.
Cricket—To-morrow—Division I—Craigieburn C.C. v. Civil Service (L.); University v. Kowloon C.C. (F.); Garrison v. Royal Navy (F.); Division II—Civil Service v. Craigieburn (L.); Hong Kong C.C. v. Royal Signals (L.); Police v. University (F.); Indian C.C. v. R.A.S.C. (F.); Kowloon C.C. v. Recreation (F.).

Ping Pong—To-morrow—Exhibition Games and Distribution of Prizes, Chinese Y.M.C.A., Bridges Street.
Fanning Hunt—Sunday—Opening Meet, Hunters' Arms, 3.15 p.m.

Lawn Tennis—Monday—Ladies' Open Doubles Final, U.S.R.C. Fencing—Monday—Fencing Club Meeting, Yacht Club, 5.45 p.m.

Athletics—March 15 and 16—Hong Kong v. Canton Universities.
HOME.
Football—December 18—English Cup—Second round.

pense for the postponement of the visit of the M.C.C. team: that from them India's young cricketers would learn much that was useful; and that the crowning achievement of the tour would be a better relationship between the two countries, for cricket was a great power in cementing ties between nationalities.

"Growing Old For Cricket."
Jack Hobbs, who was cheered on rising to his feet, at the outset made it clear that the Maharaj Kumar had persuaded his colleague and himself to make the trip in the hope of benefiting the clubs in the various towns they were visiting in India, while the gate receipts of the Colombo

EXCHANGES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

On London—	
Bank wire	1/2 3/4
Bank on demand	1/2 3/4
Bank, 4 months' sight	1/2 3/4
Credits, 4 months' sight	1/3 1/16
Documentary, 4 months' sight	1/3 3/16
On Paris—	
On demand	740
Credits, 4 months' sight	780
On New York—	
On demand	29 1/4
Credits, 60 days' sight	30 1/4
On Bombay—	
Wire	81
On demand	81
On Calcutta—	
Wire	81
On demand	51 1/4
On Manila—	
On demand	53 1/4
On Shanghai—	
On demand	Tls. 79
Dollar	8 1/4 dis.
On Yokohama—	
On demand	58 1/4
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	1/3
Silver (per oz.)	16
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	Par.
Copper Cash	Nominal
Copper Cents	8 1/4 prem.
Rate of Native Interest	3 1/2% p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin	24% dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin Par.	

LONDON EXCHANGES

Paris	123.54 1/2
New York	4.85 19/32
Brussels	34.80
Geneva	25.06 1/2
Milan	92.65 1/2
Amsterdam	12.06 1/2
Berlin	20.36
Stockholm	18.09 1/2
Copenhagen	18.15 1/2
Oslo	18.15
Vienna	34.49 1/2
Prague	163 3/4
Helsingfors	192 3/4
Madrid	43.60
Lisbon	108.25
Athens	975
Bucharest	118
Rio	4 25/32
Buenos Aires	38 9/16
Montevideo	38 13/16
Bombay	1/5 3/4
Shanghai	1/6 3/8
Hong Kong	1/2 9/16
Yokohama	2/0 17/16
Silver Spot	16
Silver Forward	15 15/16

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matches were to go to charity. Despite the fact that he had marked his first appearance on a cricket field in this country by scoring a century, he said he was growing old for cricket—but only for cricket. Nevertheless, he hoped that from Sutcliffe mainly, and perhaps himself, India's cricketers would learn something of the finer points of the game. He paid tribute to the generous hospitality of the Maharaj Kumar and to his charming nature, which he felt sure would result in them all taking away many happy memories of their sojourn in this country.

Value to the Empire.
Herbert Sutcliffe echoed Hobbs's remarks with regard to their generous reception in India. In the past he had thought that no country could be more hospitable than Australia, but although he had spent only eight days in India he had had to revise his opinion—he now placed both countries on a par. Sutcliffe also referred to the Empire—the game which had brought Great Britain nearer Australia, South Africa, New Zealand and now, he hoped, India.

The toasts were drunk with musical honours, the last being that of the Maharaj Kumar. Hobbs and Sutcliffe were kept busy for a couple of hours after dinner autographing menu cards and, much to the former's indignation, the latter was as Hobbs himself put it, writing "speeches" on every card presented to him.

The party broke up at about midnight after having spent a most enjoyable evening.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Opening Daily Official Quotations 5th Dec., 1930.

STOCK	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Mon.	Fin. Year	Last dividend and when paid	
Banks.							
Hong Kong Bank	1720	...	...	Dec.		{Interim 43 s/d 1930 s/d 1930 (s/d 1930)	Aug. 11, 30
Chartered Bank .....	...	...	19	Dec.		Interim 7/- free 1/100 s/d 1930	Sep. — 30
Mercantile Bk., A.B. & C. ....	...	...	27	Dec.		{Int. 20/- s/d 1930 less 1/100	Sep. — 30
Bank of Asia	115	...	...	Dec.		88 for 1929	Feb. 28, 30
Insurance.							
Canton Ins.	1305	...	...	Dec.		{Final 88/- for 1929 Interim 15 s/d 1930	May 18, 30
Union Ins.	500	500	...	Dec.		Final 15/- for 1929 Interim 24/- s/d 1930	May 30, 30
*China Underwriters	31	3.30	3.30	Dec.		None	...
China Fire Ins.	400	...	...	Dec.		{Final 80 bonus 8/- for 1929 Interim 85 s/d 1930	May 30, 30
H. K. Fire Ins.	1200	...	...	Dec.		87 for 1929	Mar. 25, 30
Shipping.							
Douglas	28 1/2	28 1/2	...	Dec.		Last dividend for 1929	...
H. K. Steamboats .....	...	...	31 1/2	Dec.		81-50 for 1929 (12 cts. 2 1/2 on preferred for 1929 and 1929)	Mar. 4, 30
Indo-China (Pref.) .....	...	...	45	Dec.		Last dividend for 1929	June 10, 30
" (Def.) .....	...	...	24	Dec.		Last dividend for 1929	...
Shell Transport .....	...	...	70/10	Dec.		{Interim 25/- Coupon No. 87 Free 1/100 s/d 1930	Pending
Union Waterboats .....	...	39	...	Dec.		81-50 for 1929	Mar. 10, 30
Mining.							
Benguet	9 1/2	...	...	Dec.		{Interim 15 bonus 5 marking 50 cents s/d 1930	Sept. 30, 30
Kailan Mining Ad. s/-	...	...	37/10	June		Interim 15/- free 1/100 (Coupon No. 27 year 24-30)	June — 30
Langkat .....	...	...	8 1/2	Oct.		T. 0.50 for year 21-10-29	May 8, 30
S'hai Exploration	1	...	...	Dec.		None	...
" Loans	6 1/2	...	...	Dec.		Interim T. 0.35 s/d 1930	July 1, 30
*Rube .....	...	31.70	...	Mar.		{Second int. 1 1/2 s/d 1930 (s/d 3-27)	Pending
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.							
H. K. & S. Wharves .....	...	171	169	Dec.		80 for 1929	Mar. 18, 30
H. K. & W. Docks .....	...	...	32	Dec.		Last dividend for 1929	...
*China Provident (old)	5 1/2	5.35	...	Dec.		Last dividend for 1929	...
" (new)	2.53	...	...	Dec.		Interim T. 8 s/d 1930	Sept. 19, 30
Hongkew .....	...	...	280	Dec.		T. 0.50 for 1929	Feb. 25, 30
N. Engineering .....	...	...	7.10	Apr.		T. 7 for year 24-30	July 30, 30
Shanghai Docks .....	...	...	114	Apr.			
Land, Hotels & Buildings.							
*H. K. & S. Hotels .....	...	11.40	...	Dec.		50 cents for 1929	Apr. 7, 30
H.K. Lands (old)	8 1/2	82	89 1/2	...			
" (new) .....	...	8 1/2	91 1/2	...		Interim 85 s/d 1930	Aug. 8, 30
" Rights	30	...	201	...			
Shanghai Lands .....	...	...	319	Dec.		Interim T. 8 s/d 1930	July 31, 30
Humphreys	16.90	...	17	Dec.		80 cents for 1929	May 7, 30
H. K. Realities	0.35	...	...	Dec.		Interim 30 cents s/d 1929	Sep. 4, 30
Chinese Estates .....	...	...	87	Feb.		80 for year 25-30	July 31, 30
Cotton Mills.							
*Ewo Cotton .....	...	11.60	11.60	Dec.		Final T. 2 s/d 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Shanghai Cotton .....	...	...	79	Dec. (Apr. and Oct.)		T. 2.25 for half year 21-10-30	Nov. 29, 30
Zoong Sing .....	...	...	9 1/2	June		T. 0.49 for year 24-30	Oct. 12, 30
Public Utilities.							
*H. K. Tramways	18	...	...	Dec.		Interim 40 cents s/d 1930	Aug. 27, 30
Peak Tram (old)	14 1/2	...	...	Apr.		80 cts. on old for year (40 cts. on new) s/d 30	June 15, 30
(new)	8 1/2	...	...	Dec.		84 for 1929	Feb. 14, 30
Sar Ferry	9 1/2	...	...	Sept.		Final 50 cts. s/d 1930	Pending
*China Light (old)	20.30	...	23.60/30 1/2	Sept.		Final 50 cts. s/d 1930	...
" (new)	20.30	...	...	Dec.		85.50 for 1929	Mar. 18, 30
H. K. Electric	79.80	...	...	Dec.			...
Macao .....	...	...	29	Dec.			...
Sandakan Light	11 1/2	...	...	June		None	...
H.K. Tel. fully paid	36 1/2	...	...	Dec.		Int. (4 cents) s/d 1930	Aug. 1, 30
" partly paid	33 1/2	...	...	Dec.		T. 0.50 for 1929	Feb. 25, 30
China Burs .....	...	...	19	Dec.			...
S'pore Traction (Ord.)	7 1/2	...	...	Sept.		1/4% on preference shares (Subject to income tax...)	Feb. 6, 30
" (Pref.) .....	...	...	10 1/2	...			...
Industrials.							
China Sugars	80 cts.	...	...	...		In Liquidation.	...
H.K. Amusement .....	...	...	27	Dec.		P. 5 for 1929	Apr. 11, 29
Calab Sugars .....	...	...	10 1/2	Dec.		{T. 0.50 1/7 months 1929 T. 0.50 1/7 months 1929	Apr. 30, 30
Cald. Magg. Ord. ....	...	...	10.40	July		None	...
" Pref. ....	...	...	3.60	July			...
Canton Tea .....	...	...	...	...			...
*Cements (com.)	17.50	18	...	Dec.		{30 cents on old for 1929 (old)	Mar. 19, 30
" (old)	12 1/2	...	...	Dec.		10 cents on new	...
" (new) .....	...	...	5.30	Dec.			...
H. K. Rope	11 1/2	...	...	Dec.		Last dividend for 1929	...
United Asbestos .....	...	...	5	...			...
Stores, &c.							
Dairy Farms C/R	27 1/2	...	...	Dec.		81.50 for 1929	Mar. 14, 30
" X/R .....	...	...	25 1/2	...			...
" Right	3.90	...	...	Oct.		70 cents for year 21-1-30	Mar. 31, 30
Watsons .....	...	...	19.50	...			...
Der A Wigs .....	...	...	1	...			...
Lane Crawford .....	...	...	3.70	Feb.		Last dividend for year 22-2-30	...
Mackintosh .....	...	...	10	Feb.		82 for year 22-2-30	May 15, 30
Singars .....	...	...	11.60	...			...
Wm. Powells .....	...	...	2.85	Feb.		25 cents for year 22-2-30	June 10, 29
Miscellaneous.							
H.K. Amusement .....	...	...	28	Mar.		{82.50 on Preferred (81.50 on Deferred) s/d 3-30	Sept. 27, 30
Ck. Entertainment .....	...	...	11 1/2	...			...
H. K. Constructors .....	...	...	...	Dec.		None	...
B. Ind. G. Bonds .....	...	...	...	...			...
H. K. Govt. Loans		Interest half yearly	...
*Speculative shares. *Sales to Shanghai.							

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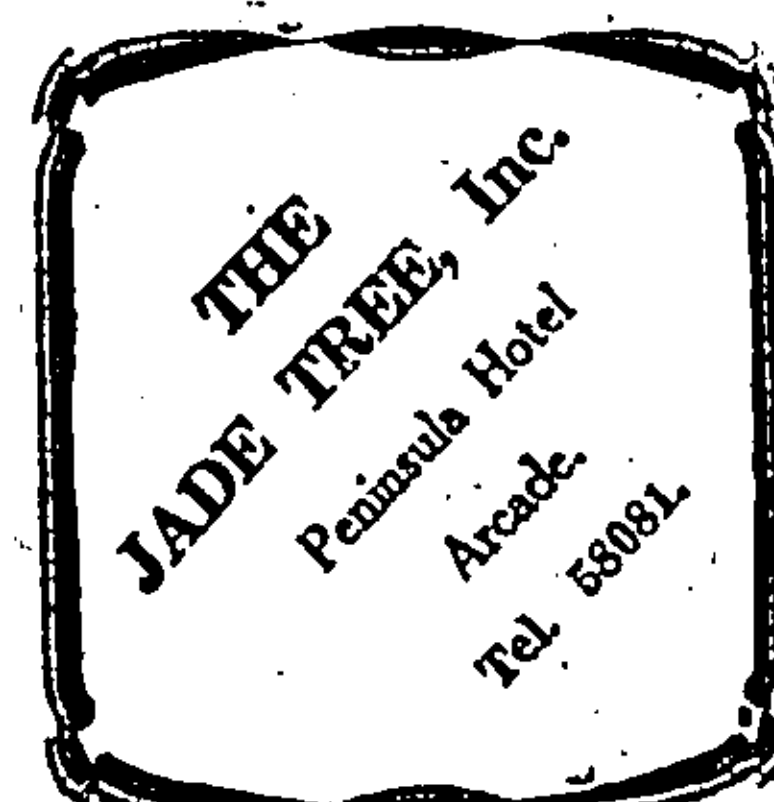
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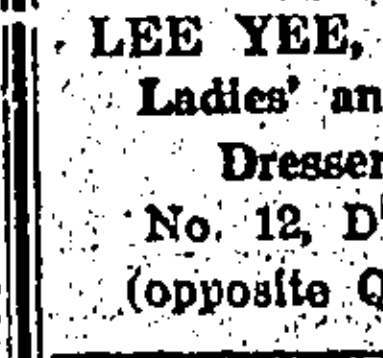
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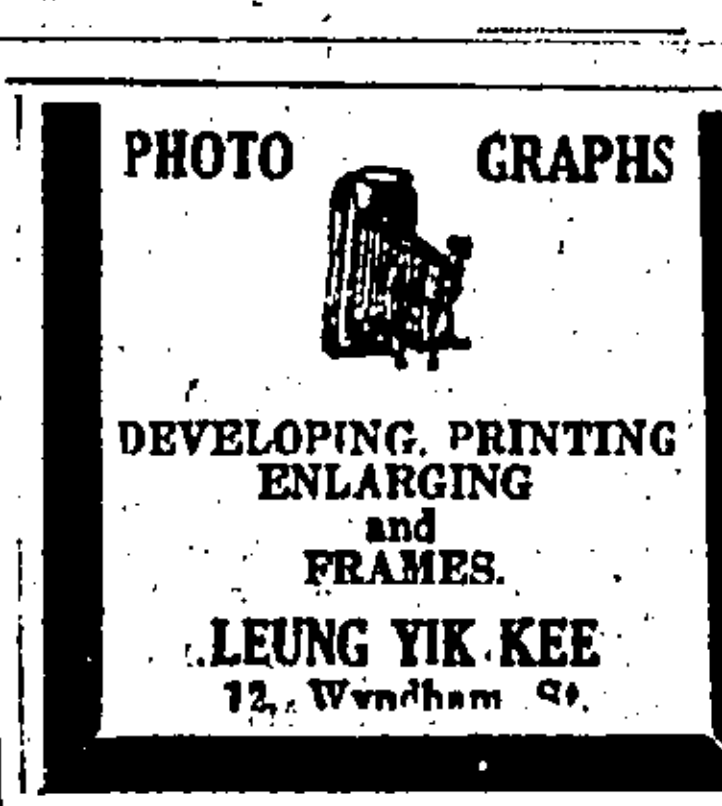


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S.P.C.A. PRIZE ESSAY COMPETITION.

Care of Dumb Animals in Colony.

GIRL GUIDE'S VIEWS.

The following is another of the
essays submitted to the Society for
the Prevention of Cruelty to
Animals by a Girl Guide (8rd Hong
Kong Company), who is 18 years
of age; (the punctuation and
grammar have not been alter-
ed).—

Frequently in going about in
villages and country places, and in
streets and families in which
animals are kept, I see animals
kept as pets (companions) and those
used for work and observe the way
they are treated. There is much
that is in accordance with the work
of the Hong Kong Society for the
Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.
Let me discuss this subject.

Talking of Hong Kong, there are
few who rear animals as companions
except a few non-Chinese and a
few Chinese hunters, 90 per cent
of those who keep them do it for
profit or for their labour. Animals
such as dogs, cats, elephants, fer-
rets, rabbits, small birds, white
mice, squirrels, calves, colts, and
canaries and falcons are sometimes
kept as pets. The first domestic
animals were dogs, really because
this animal had a very sharp sense
of smell, and was persevering in
driving away wild animals, and
faithful in protecting its master.
Really it was a very good assistant
for protecting ancient nomads and
their cattle. Man's being able to
rear cattle and sheep and find
pasture and so advance in civiliza-
tion was greatly owing to the pro-
tecting power of this animal.
Therefore hunters and those who
liked rearing dogs did not mind
paying high prices and procuring
them from great distances. Friends
presented them to one another, and
good dogs were regarded as valuable
gifts. So there was good reason
for dogs being loved and protected
by men.

Cats an Obsession.
As to cats they too are regarded
as companions by the owners, a cer-
tain poet's love to cats became an
obsession, if the cats were away for
a short time she could not write,
and nothing was right. Cats being
loved by man was also not without
reason.

The back of the elephant is a
very good seat for a hunter, when
hunting if they came across thorns
or forests, the elephant was able to
make a way for its master. Truly
it had wonderful powers (uses).
Unfortunately we do not often see
them in Hong Kong though I saw
one once at Fanling.

Rabbits and small birds will be
remembered by the story of Sut
Fuk who found in them a great
pleasure in her solitary life; like
the joy of having a parrot.

I have never seen ferrets or
squirrels in Hong Kong, but saw
a small ferret in Canton Public
Gardens once, with its yellow bushy
tail, a most delightful thing.

White mice and canaries, are
very nice animal friends, a friend
in Kowloon keeps and rears them,
great is the joy of keeping animals.
As for colts and calves, formerly
they were kept for work, but are
made pets of by some people.

The falcon and ferret are used
for hunting, but they also are not
often seen in Hong Kong. The
above animals are kept in country
places with the exception of cats,
dogs, rabbits, chickens, and
canaries, which can be kept in towns.
But the place is restricted and the
population great in the town and
there is not enough open land for
rearing other animals. Of the
animals kept for work, the ox is the
chief, others are the dog, the horse,
the cat, and the llama of South
America. Those kept for financial
profit are the cow, the sheep, fowls,
ducks, geese, goats, and the pig.

In the New Territories many are
kept and attended to in spare time
from agriculture. They may be
used not only for food, but for
clothes and utensils.

Now as the animals are very
helpful to man they should be well
treated, on the contrary it is often
found that the opposite is true.
The majority of them have not the
place (they would like). Is this the
Confucian teaching of benevolence
to man, and loving kindness to
animals?

Rat Dipped in Kerosene.
Yesterday in passing a certain
market, I heard a great shouting
and looked and saw a large rat
caught alive by a rough boy, they
dipped it into kerosene and burned
it alive, the rat feeling the pain of
burning ran away but this only
made the fire brighter and it soon
rolled over and died, the rough boys
thought it great fun. Oh, I really
do not know where their conscience
is. I being a Girl Guide ought to
love animals and birds. I went up
and told the boys they ought not to
be cruel to animals, which have
senses, and feelings as have people
who fear pain and trouble and
asked why should they cause such
suffering. Think if we were in
their place, how much we should
feel the pain.

Again, as to the dogs and cats
kept in towns people are cruel to
the majority of them, or treat them
cavalierly, servants and children
often illtreat them as they please,
kicking or beating them; this is one
method of illtreatment.

The food they get is not arranged
for, they get cold remnants from
the tables, and often water is not
ready for them; even if it is, their
utensils are not kept clean, so they
cannot be comfortable, nor keep
proper times. If they are hungry
and steal they are chased and
beaten. If they hunger and are
not strong they are said to neglect
their rat-catching and doorkeeping
and are cruelly beaten. They have
no place of rest. In winter they
are not warm, and in summer not
cool; so they get into bad habits of
getting down near to the fire or on
the best clothes and so earn the
displeasure of their masters, and do
not know the reason of their dis-
pleasure which is really due to the
masters neglect of them.

Sometimes their whole body is
wet, or splashed with lime (wash-
ing) this is because their masters
are not careful. As for washing
them, that need not be mentioned.
This is one method of neglect.

Wandering Cats.
Wandering cats are frequently
seen in the markets and street
gutters, and people do not take
them to protect and feed them, so
that they die of hunger in the
roads.

Again when they are sick the
owners do not treat them, many
may be seen everywhere with their
hair off and their skin visible and
they are left alone until they die;
this negligence is the same as
cruelty.

Again fowls and ducks kept in
houses, do not have their cages
clean, and they have no clean water
to drink, they are not covered up
at night to protect them from cold.
This is further neglect.

Cows and horses in the country,
are overworked, and when the sun
is down and they go home, the
peasant boys thinking them lazy
and slow, beat them. The cows
stalls and goats sheds are dark and
dirty so that one cannot go near
them, flies and insects disturb the
animals, and they have no peace.

Pigsties also are not supplied
with clean water for pigs to wash
themselves in. So it may be seen
that neither in villages nor in towns
can the animals be said to be well
cared for. Few of the people love
the animals and few animals may
be said not to experience neglect
and bad treatment.

Proper Food at Proper Times.

Now animals ought not to be
cruelly treated; this is clear. They
ought to have proper food and to be
fed at proper times, they should be
given clear water to drink, their
abodes (kennels etc.) should be
warm and dry, and clean and well
ventilated. This would not only be
a protection to the animals, but it
would be protection for their
owners against disease.

For instance, an unclear cat may
have throat or lung trouble, so that
owners for their own sake, as well
as for the peace of the animals,
ought to take care. One method of
keeping their quarters clean is to
wash them with a creolin mixture
(eight spoonful to a gallon of
water) and so prevent the breeding
of insects and flies.

Fowls' houses should be on solid
(hard) ground, or rats may easily
enter.

In rearing rabbits, the bucks
should be kept apart, if not they
will fight, and when young ones are
born the does should be separated
with them, lest the bucks eat them.

A Dog's Kennel.

If a dog is kept his kennel should
be placed in a dry place and should
be ventilated. Facing south is
best. There should be narrow
windows, one on each side to let
air through, but draughts should be
avoided. One meal a day of beef
is sufficient for a fullgrown dog,
but young ones may have two or
three meals a day. If the dog must
be chained, a long chain should be
used so that he may be able to walk
about; he should have clean water
for drinking. The kennel should
be frequently cleaned, and when
washed should be allowed to dry
before the dog goes in.

Some Suggestions.

For the purpose of preventing
cruelty to animals and negligence,
the following suggestions are
made:—

(1) More inspectors should be
employed. There are only two
at present in Hong Kong and
they have large salaries. I
suggest that a number of in-
spectors at lower salaries should
be appointed, then their work
would be more thorough and
there would be more opportu-
nity to warn people against
cruelty.

(2) Issue proclamation, people gen-
erally do not know right prin-
ciples for dealing with animals.
I think the boy scouts ought to
urge people to treat animals
well; perhaps setting an exam-
ple that others might follow, or
advertisers and arouse them, thus
making up what is lacking in
official action.

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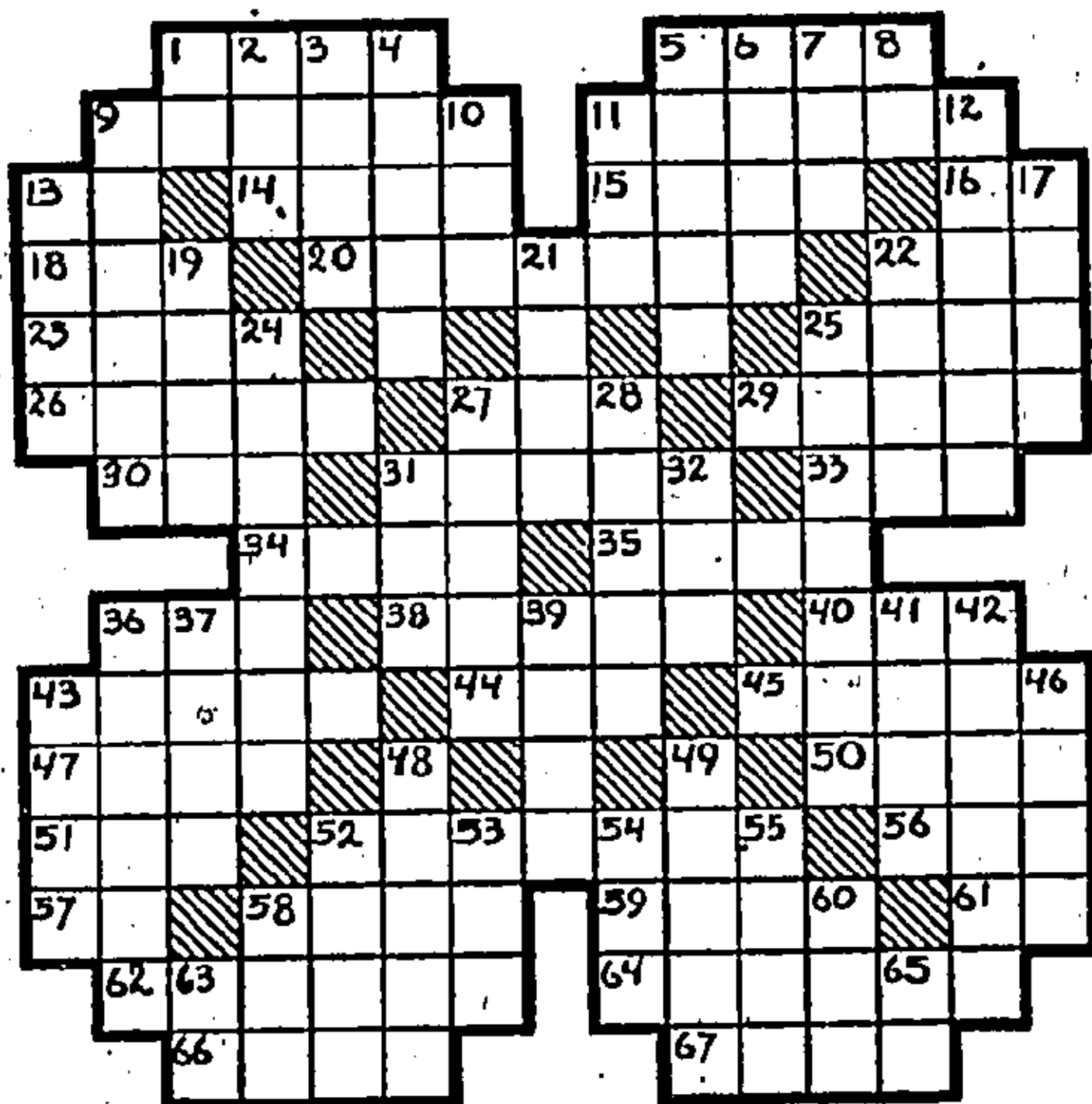
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but
our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic
spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



- HORIZONTAL**
- Accessory covering of a seed
 - To cover or seal with wax
 - Looked
 - Mental ability in general
 - Father
 - Swampy ground
 - Principal Egyptian goddess
 - Printer's measure
 - Cover
 - Short poems
 - Curious scraps of literature
 - An astringent mineral salt
 - Attended
 - The ninth day before the Ides in the Roman calendar
 - Mimic
 - Heard
 - A color
 - Vapor
 - Anger
 - The daily fare
 - Part of a ship
 - Entire number
 - Small candle
 - A sailor
- HORIZONTAL (Cont.)**
- Swiftly
 - Radical (abbr.)
 - Withered
 - Greek god of love
 - Take out (print)
 - 2000 pounds
 - Brilliant red
 - Related by blood
 - Indefinite article
 - Exclamation of sorrow
 - A wedding bird
 - And (Latin)
 - A small wizened person
 - Duties collectively
 - Noist
 - A shelter of canvas
- VERTICAL**
- Near
 - Staff
 - The rainbow
 - The garden
 - A social class
 - A home of Grace
 - Residence (abbr.)
 - Half an em
 - Mariner
 - Lair
 - To bind
 - A holding, as of land
- VERTICAL (Cont.)**
- Pilot
 - Long hair on the neck of a horse
 - A sand hill
 - Back of neck
 - Surge, an agent
 - Interfers in the affairs of others
 - Bombastic
 - Essential oil of roses
 - Beloved
 - Deceit
 - Article to protect the clothes (pl.)
 - Masculine name
 - Greek god of war
 - Comfort
 - A brittle
 - An obligation
 - Rascal
 - A Jewish month
 - Thin
 - Poisonous snake
 - Parched
 - Wary
 - Constellation
 - Evil
 - Head (abbr.)
 - Measure of length (abbr.)

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

S.P.C.A. PRIZE ESSAY COMPETITION.

(Continued from Page 10.)

- Teaching should be given in schools about dealing with animals.
- Broadcast information in the pictures.
- Employ more veterinary surgeons at lower salaries.
- Reward those who treat animals well, and severely punish the cruel.
- Urging people to join the rescue societies, and to secure more funds for progressive work.
- Continuity aim at further pro-

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



grees, the present method of writing essays to arouse people and lead them to give good treatment to animals is a very good one.

TALKIE TALKS

by
Diana

A recent competition in Britain revealed the fact that Ruth Chatterton is the "First Lady in Movie-land," and so say all of us. Norma Shearer comes in second. Of course there may be many who will NOT agree with this vote. I appreciate the best-friend-severest-critic-stuff, and ask for criticism as well as bouquets. Perhaps some of my readers will write and tell me if they are in agreement with Britain's idea. My ONE reason for NOT picking Miss Shearer is that she overdoes the love scenes. I really grow tired of watching her in the arms of her lovers or husbands—and was thoroughly in agreement with the small boy in "Divorcee" who told her to say "Yes, and be done with it." That is where I admire Ruth Chatterton. She leaves more to the imagination. After seeing her twice in "The Lady of Scandal" I admit I am amongst those who adore her. I hear that she is wonderful in her newest play, again directed by Dorothy Arzner, "Anybody's Woman," with Clive Brook. She looks really lovely in her blonde wig, and her acting is said to be the high-water mark.

Hats off to you, Rear-Admiral Byrd, and your gallant band of heroes. To call your great adventure thrilling sounds silly; words are inadequate. Somehow I felt all choked up when you paid that homage to Great Britain and Norway, to those great men who made the path possible for you. Men who did not do this work in the time of radios and aeroplanes, and your gallant men owe so much. I loved every moment of this epoch-making film, EXCEPT when that radio announcer, Floyd Gibbons, stepped in and shouted at us in the world's worst American accent, as though he were describing a football game. It almost spoiled the party. Why did you not choose a lecturer with a cultured voice, if you had to have someone, which you did NOT. Thanks to Paramount for sending such ace camera men. Our hearts went out to the handsome hero, the gallant Commander, with a great brain for organization. The little human touches made their direct appeal—the baby seal (hope it never meets a furrier); those solemn feathered fellows, who look as though they had stepped from the pages of Alice in Wonderland; Igloo, Byrd's pet, human little pal; the pathos of the "husky" who died like a trooper. All of it human, humorous, yet throughout a feeling of the great importance of a remarkable achievement.

I wonder if we Talkie fans were asked to vote here whether there would be many with the same opinion as I hold for choosing the most popular Star. I nominate Marie Dressler, BECAUSE she brings laughter and cheer, and that is above tragedy. We have so much of that in our own lives. Those who bring us forgetfulness are the ones who are needed. Marie Dressler is a very great artist. She is the cleverest "stealer" in pictures. Just to show HOW great she is, some of the Theatres announced "Marie Dressler in Anna Christie with Greta Garbo," and the same when she appeared with Lillian Gish in "The Swan." All the critics are of the opinion that she runs away with Norma Shearer's last picture, "Let us be Gay." She is a woman with a tremendous personality, vibrant, fascinating, and a marvellous love of humanity. Forty years of the stage from chorus girl to Star. Who remembers her in "Tillie's Punctured Romance" with Charles Chaplin or Mabel Normand? I do! And when they tried to revive it with another cast, it failed. She is SO intensely human. That is her greatest charm. This I can testify from experience, because I have known a spark from it. She has a heart of gold, is afraid of nothing and nobody. For thirteen years she was the drawing-card for Weber and Fields, but always, her ambition was to play in drama and it came in "Anna Christie." I am not questioning whether you will like the Garbo. I am her greatest admirer, BUT Marie Dressler will be the one you will REMEMBER. Anyone who knows anything about the theatre knows that comedy is the hardest thing to play, but Marie is truly great in whatever she essays.

The friendship between Marie and Polly Moran is something golden. Polly says Marie has more good in her little finger than others have in their whole bodies. She is willing to tag on after Marie for the rest of her life and play the shadow. BUT Marie says Polly is just adorable, impractical, female, faithful, who covers her wounds with a laugh. They do not believe in old age. One can be old at six-

teen or young at eighty; one is only old when health is gone. Jealousy? They do not know the meaning of the word. They are the greatest team in the Talkies; bar none. They have tried a little now they are beginning all over again in this new medium.

Marie has never married, for the man she loved was an invalid, and she cared for and nursed him till he died. She was born in Canada, but adores Europe and when she is through (we CAN'T spare you) declares she will live there. The sweetest thing about these two is their combined interest in the welfare of others. They do not bother about beauty parlours, and slim girlish figures; they are so intensely natural and humanely lovable.

Apologies to you, C.B., for letting you think I did not admire Ramon Novarro. I still do not rave over his voice, but I can assure you that I am a great admirer of this exceedingly good-looking actor. I am anxious to see his next releases, because they are better stories than "Devil-May-Care." I would like to see him in revivals of his best Movies. His performance in "The Prisoner of Zenda" as Rupert of Rentzau still stands out as a memorable piece of work, and in "Scaramouche," you remember he was outstanding. This man has known disappointments and poverty; perhaps you will like to read what he thinks of FRIENDSHIP. He says: "How many people envy me, more money than I now need, fame, and my family, but only the last matters. Friends? Has one any friends? I wonder. I think of the lines written by Canada's Rudyard Kipling. Robert Service: 'Give your gold no acid test, try not how your silver rings'. If there are a few people whose company you enjoy, BELIEVE them to be your friends, and let it go at that. Do NOT torture yourself trying to find out if they are real. We make protestations of friendship, hoping we will never be called upon to fulfil them. IS THAT friendship?"

I for one hope the Queen's will give us more of Novarro, as a man and an artist. I number him amongst my favourites.

If you like "Broadway Melody" you liked "Chasing Rainbows." I did, because the cast was raised from the mediocre to super by the presence of two such artistes as Marie Dressler and Polly Moran. Not enough for either of them to do, but just to have them together is compensation. Little Bessie Love, again as she was in the "Broadway Melody," Charles King ditto. I liked Jack Benny the best of the men. For those not attuned to the behind-the-stage slang and Americanisms, it was difficult to follow. I suppose that is why it did not make too big a hit with the Chinese. Still, I admit to finding the joys and sorrows, jealousies and triumphs of troupers on the road really diverting; perhaps because I know it from experience. The action rings true, and the types are interesting. Quite catchy songs, and good dancing.

Vilma Banky's voice was first heard in some parts of "This is Heaven," but "A Lady to Love" is all Talkie. She is, quite successful, and is almost without accent (it must be forgotten that the fair lady hails from Hungary). I liked Pola Negri in this play "Her Secret Hour," but this new version is more true to the play. The only thing that lacks conviction is that Vilma looks far too lovely, and when you see the play you will rather doubt where all the men were that they missed seeing such a beautiful creature, who was forced to seize her one and only chance of marriage and a home. Still it's a good story, and Edward G. Robinson and Robert Ames are successful.

Kathryn Crawford steals the picture from Charles Rogers, now in the Central. She made an enormous hit in the stage play of "Hit the Deck" when she was eighteen, and has a lovely voice, but so far has not had as many pictures as we would like. Charles toots his saxophone and sings some not too catchy songs. I am not a Rogers fan, but he is fairly good in this, that is, if you like the pretty boy; it is really the best thing he has done for some time. Although the story is rather absurd.

"Let's Go Native" shortly to be seen in the Central will please, because it brings one of my favourite, Jack Oakie, the inimitable Jeanette MacDonald, Kay Francis,

Sheets Gallagher, and James Hall, are all good, and the story lends itself to many laughs.

Many thanks to the Majestic for giving us the fourth chance to see "Seven Days Leave." Honours go to every member of that superb cast. I saw Garry Cooper make a personal appearance on the opening day at the Paramount Theatre in Los Angeles. It was his first starring vehicle. He is very like the Garry we all admire, handsome, lean, tall, a fine type of man. Beryl Marcor is perfection as Mrs. Dowey. I like Garry's voice, because it is untrained and so natural. It is a film one will of love, life, and the stage, and never forget.

PUBLIC MORALS.

CATHOLIC CHURCH OFFICIALS RALLY BILL.

Manila, Nov. 14.
Leaders of the Catholic world in this country are rallying to the support of the proposed ordinance of Councilor Herrera prohibiting the display on the stage or in dances of nude or semi-nude persons. Monsignor Jose Bustamante, vicar-general, has taken the lead, in the absence of the archbishop, in the fight for the passage of the ordinance. Fr. Serapion Tamayo, rector of Santo Tomas University, also wrote to the municipal board strongly indorsing the proposed measure.

The support of those high personages of the Catholic church in this country to the Herrera measure came in time to counteract the increasing opposition among the members of the board. In order that the matter can be discussed more deliberately, and in order to give opportunity to other persons who have failed to appear at the first hearing, it was decided at the meeting last night to hold another public hearing on the Herrera measure on November 17.

Letters from prominent Catholics continue to pour into the municipal board favouring the ordinance strongly. Monsignor Bustamante, vicar-general, said in his letter to the board that this country should exert all efforts to shut off the influence of short dresses, much more the exhibition of nude or semi-nude individuals to preserve the moral and tradition of the country. He congratulated Councilor Herrera for sponsoring such a measure. Fr. Serapion Tamayo urged the board to find all possible means of preventing the corruption of the moral of the country's youth. There is a strong difference between a country with healthy youths and that whose youths are immoral and corrupted, he explained.—Philippine Herald.

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Sir John Simon's
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London, Yesterday.
 Sir John Simon, at the resumption of the R.101 enquiry today, disposed of two rumours, firstly, that a woman perished aboard. He said that a well-known aviatrix flew or motored one passenger to Cardington, but did not make the voyage. He only read to-day that the lady had reached Rome on a flight to the Cape (presumably referring to Miss Spooner). Secondly, the Rumour that large quantities of intoxicants were aboard and the voyagers were not sober was utterly baseless.

Cause of Fire.
 Continuing his evidence, Dr. Hugo Eckener attributed the fire to broken electrical wires. He was not sure that a leaky gas bag would tend to increase the probability of fire. Hydrogen-borne airships struck the ground violently several times during the War without catching fire, and he expressed the opinion years ago that the use of helium was essential, yet no such leakage of gas bags on the Graf Zeppelin was experienced, as the evidence had showed as having occurred both on the R.100 and R.101. It was difficult to prevent the chafing of gas bags.

Squadron Leader Booth, Commander of the R.100, deposed that he always felt that the R.101 had been rushed as regards trials by influence brought to bear. He was sure that she would not have been flown to India if the Imperial Conference were not taking place.

Earlier Evidence.
 London, Yesterday.
 At the resumed R.101 disaster enquiry to-day, Dr. Eckener in the witness box said the result of his study of the evidence "reconstructed" the airship's sudden steep dive as follows:

The weather was bumpy; the ship was a little heavy by the nose owing to loss of gas in one of the forward gasbags, and a slight gust of wind caused a downward movement which the coxswain of the elevator

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MAN WHO KEPT WATCH.

Remanded from Wednesday, Tam Cheuk-kai, stated to be unemployed, appeared to-day before Mr. E. H. Williams in the Central Magistracy, on a charge of conspiracy, with three others, not in custody, to commit a robbery at 7, Queen Victoria Street, on September 21.

Detective-Inspector W. Shannon informed his Worship that he had now been instructed to have the case dealt with summarily, and asked his Worship to take the defendant's plea.

Defendant pleaded "Guilty."
 Outlining the facts of the case, Inspector Shannon said that the accused was formerly employed as a cook at 7 Queen Victoria Street, ground floor, and while there he became engaged to a maid servant, Communists. The Central Government has telegraphically instructed General Lu Te-ping to despatch a large contingent of troops to strengthen Kanchow.

Outlaws in Fukien.
 According to General Kung Ping-fan's wire to Nanking, more than half of the Communist bandits in Kiangsi have been eliminated, and as soon as the remnants are suppressed, his forces will head for Fukien for the complete extermination of the outlaws there.

President Chiang has issued a circular order, specially warning the Generals and officers, participating in the anti-Red campaign, viz.:-

1. To prohibit the recruiting of new troops locally;
2. To prohibit the raising of funds for military contribution locally;
3. To prohibit the interference of civil affairs;
4. To prohibit the disarming of the local militia;
5. To prohibit the reorganisation of bandits;
6. To keep a sharp watch on the soldiers, in order to prevent them from stealing and selling ammunition;
7. To prohibit all military commanders from appointing candidates to any post in connection with civil, financial and party affairs during the period of bandit suppression.—Canton News Agency.

EXTERMINATION OF OUTLAWS.

Firm Steps Being Taken
 by Government.
 BANDITS SUPPRESSION.

Hankow, Tuesday.
 With the capture of Yungfung, Lo-an, Chi-shui and Chi-an in Kiangsi by the Nationalists under Chang, Fei-chen, Tan Tao-yuan, Lo Lin and Hsu Hsi-hsiang, the first stage of bandit suppression has been reached. The 2nd stage will now begin, the plans for which have been completed by Generals Lu Te-ping and Chu Shao-liang at Nanchang, and are being forwarded to the various divisions at the front.

Kanchow, in south-west Kiangsi, is being seriously menaced by Communists. The Central Government has telegraphically instructed General Lu Te-ping to despatch a large contingent of troops to strengthen Kanchow.

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